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January 1, 2012

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, it is my pleasure to present the 2012 Festival Guide produced by the Department of Cultural Affairs. This year's guide is once again brimming with festivals for you to enjoy all year long.

Los Angeles is home to more festivals than any other U.S. city. In 2012, you will find some of your favorite annual celebrations, as well as some exciting new ones that may take you to a neighborhood you've been meaning to explore. Now is your chance to discover different pockets of Los Angeles and take in the sights, sounds, and tastes that reflect each community's distinct flavor and heritage.

With festivals, parades, and special events happening from January to December, this guide will be your ultimate resource to help you plan fun, memorable outings with your family and friends. I look forward to seeing you at some of L.A.'s fantastic festivals!

Very truly yours,

**Antonio R. Villaraigosa**

Mayor  
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January 1, 2012

Dear Friends,

This year's Festival Guide is full of unique events and celebrations for you, your family, and friends to enjoy. I hope you will venture out into our great City and discover all the cultures, traditions, sights, tastes, and sounds that our neighborhoods and arts and cultural sites have to offer.

Many of these events are annual favorites, but some are new festivals that we thought you might enjoy. We again focused our attention on celebrations that honor the multicultural mix that make Los Angeles such a joyous place to live and work.

The celebrations in this guide also reflect the passion our festival organizers feel about their cultural traditions, as well as the breadth of festivities presented this year by our local neighbors. As you experience the many events presented in this guide, I guarantee you will learn something original, meet new people, experience different cultures, feast on excellent cuisine, and participate in the art of many different nationalities and cultural communities. We offer many choices for your indulgence!

Many of our festivals will expose you to music, film, theatre, literature, and dance. Explore deeper, and you will also find a fusion of folk art, myth, storytelling, history, and tradition.

It is my pleasure to invite you to join me this year in a non-stop celebration of festivals when we need it most.

**Olga Garay-English**

Executive Director

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- 214** Pomona Art Walk
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- 219** 25th Annual African Marketplace and Cultural Faire
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- 221** Mud Mania: A Celebration of Adobe
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- 225** 2012 Summer Concert Season at Levitt Pavilion - MacArthur Park
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- 236** Pomona Art Walk
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- 240** 9th Annual Artivist Film Festival & Artivist Awards
- 241** El Grito
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- 243** 20th Annual Thai Cultural Day
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- 250** 131st Annual Watts Towers Day of the Drum Festival
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- 257** 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk
- 258** Catalina Island JazzTrax Festival 2012
- 259** Southeast Asia Day
- 260** Undiscovered Chinatown Tour
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- 262** Eagle Rock Music Festival
- 263** Valley Artist Studio Tour
- 264** 7th Annual Pico Festival and Classic Car Show
- 265** Latino Book and Family Festival
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- 267** West Hills Fall Fest and Restaurant Chili Cook-off
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- 281** Alpine Recreation Center's Community Halloween Carnival
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- 285** Día de los Muertos Celebration
- 286** 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk
- 287** Día de los Muertos
- 288** Undiscovered Chinatown Tour
- 289** Autumn Festival
- 290** American Indian Arts Marketplace
- 291** 12th Annual Día de los Muertos Festival
- 292** 90 Plus Legacy Luncheon
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- 295** Pershing Square Downtown on Ice
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## DECEMBER

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- 298** Pershing Square Downtown on Ice
- 299** 45th Annual Pacoima Christmas Parade and Festival
- 300** Undiscovered Chinatown Tour
- 301** Wilmington Winter Wonderland
- 302** Port of Los Angeles Holiday Afloat Parade
- 303** Victorian Christmas at the Banning Museum
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- 305** Navidad en la Calle Ocho, Los Angeles
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- 307** Victorian Christmas House Tour
- 308** 28th Annual Granada Hills Holiday Parade
- 309** 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk
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- 317** Bones and Blues
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# JANUARY

## **1 Rose Parade**

This historic and traditional California celebration features majestic floral floats, high-stepping equestrian units, and spirited marching bands from across the nation.

WHEN: **January 1, 8:00 a.m.**  
SITE: Colorado Blvd., Pasadena  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The City of Pasadena Tournament of Roses Committee  
INFO: 626-449-ROSE, 626-449-4100, [www.tournamentofroses.com](http://www.tournamentofroses.com)

## **2 Downtown on Ice Outdoor Skating Rink**

Situated amid the downtown skyscrapers, the rink will be open for ice skating daily, including holidays. There will also be a variety of free activities, including live concerts, youth programs, and special events.

WHEN: **Through January 16, Monday through Thursday, 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m., Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$8 per hour  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 213-847-4970, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **3 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **January 5, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **4 Three Wise Men Festival**

A celebration of the Day of the Wise Men, a Hispanic tradition in which children receive free toys and books from the Wise Men (Melchor, Gaspar, and Baltazar). The festival includes gifts for all attending children, musical performances, and raffles.

WHEN: **January 6, 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Mac Arthur Park, Wilshire Blvd & 7th St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Cervantes Center of Arts & Letters  
INFO: [www.cervantescenter.org](http://www.cervantescenter.org)

## **5 Los Tres Reyes – The Three Kings**

A celebration of the Epiphany (visit of the Three Kings) with music and a colorful procession on Olvera Street. Complimentary refreshments are also served.

WHEN: **January 6, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument, 125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **6 Hillery T. Broadous Community Festival**

The festival celebrates the life and work of Reverend Hillary T. Broadous in the Northeast San Fernando Valley. The event includes activities and crafts for children, local entertainment, and food vendors.

WHENL: **January 7, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: H.T. Broadous Elementary School, 12561 Filmore St., Pacoima  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: H.T. Broadous Elementary School  
INFO: 818-272-4694

## **7 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **January 7, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **8 Oshogatsu Family Festival**

Ring in the New Year and the Year of the Dragon with fun arts and crafts, food, and exciting performances. In Japan the most important and elaborate holiday is Oshogatsu—the celebration of the New Year.

WHEN: **January 8, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Japanese American National Museum  
INFO: 213-625-0414, [www.janm.org](http://www.janm.org)

## **9 Australia Week 2012 / G'Day USA**

Australia Week is the largest foreign country promotion held annually in the United States showcasing all things Australian from food and wine, energy resources, film, arts, fashion, lifestyle, trade, and investment to indigenous culture and tourism. The week-long program of events highlights Australia's vitality as a place to visit and a place to do business in the 21st Century.

WHEN: **January 11 - 29, Various times – Check website**  
SITE: Various locations in West Los Angeles  
COST: Varies  
SPONSOR: Australian Consulate General  
INFO: 310-229-4867, [www.australia-week.com](http://www.australia-week.com)

## **10 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **January 12, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **11 Photo LA 2012**

The international Los Angeles photographic art exposition features the finest photographic art from the earliest 19th century photographic experiments to the most contemporary photography and photo-based art. More than 80 premiere galleries and private dealers present international and U.S. artists.

**WHEN:** **January 12 through 16,**  
**Thursday 6:00 p.m. –**  
**9:00 p.m., Friday and**  
**Saturday 11:00 a.m. –**  
**7:00 p.m., Sunday**  
**11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** Santa Monica Civic Auditorium,  
1855 Main St., Santa Monica

**COST:** General \$20, Students and seniors \$15

**SPONSOR:** ArtLA

**INFO:** 323-937-5523, [www.photola.com](http://www.photola.com)



## **12 World City – Khac Chi Ensemble and Korean Classical Music and Dance Company**

World City is the Music Center's highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dance from Korea and Vietnam.

**WHEN:** **January 14, 11:00 a.m.**  
**& 12:30 p.m.**

**SITE:** W. M. Keck  
Foundation Children's  
Amphitheatre,  
Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 S. Grand Ave.,  
Downtown Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** The Music Center

**INFO:** 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)



## **13 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

**WHEN:** **January 14 & 28, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**

**SITE:** W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Pomona Arts Colony

**INFO:** 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **14 LA Art Show**

The event features selected fine international and U.S. galleries exhibiting thousands of works, including historical, modern, and contemporary art. Come explore a world of exceptional paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, videos, and sculptures.

**WHEN:** January 19 - 23, 12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Los Angeles Convention Center,  
1201 S. Figueroa St., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$15  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Art Show  
**INFO:** 310-822-9145, [www.laartshow.com](http://www.laartshow.com)

## **15 Underwater Parks Day**

Learn about the newly designated Marine Protected Areas (MPA's) in Southern California. These areas, like parks on land, will help protect underwater marine resources like fish and kelp forests for future generations to enjoy. Speakers, presentations, interactive activities, and handouts will be available so visitors can learn about these MPAs.

**WHEN:** January 21, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** \$5  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **16 All American Collector's Show**

This is the largest antique toy and advertising show in California, featuring teddy bears, dolls, trains, movie items, signs, and other great collector items.

**WHEN:** January 21 & 22, Saturday 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Glendale Civic Auditorium, 1401 N. Verdugo Rd., Glendale  
**COST:** \$7  
**SPONSOR:** All American Collectors  
**INFO:** 310-455-2894, [www.allamericancal.com](http://www.allamericancal.com)

## **17 Chinese New Year**

Bring your family! Los Angeles Chinatown celebrates the Year of the Dragon. Enjoy entertainment, children's rides, food and games booths, freebies, and balloons.

**WHEN:** January 23, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Los Angeles Chinatown  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Chinese Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.lachinesechamber.org](http://www.lachinesechamber.org)

## **18 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

**WHEN:** January 27, 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
**SPONSOR:** Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
**INFO:** 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **19 14th Annual Los Angeles Times Travel Show**

The annual Los Angeles Times Travel Show features more than 500 travel-related companies offering the latest information on destinations, hotels, airlines, cruise lines, and other travel services. The two-day event includes a variety of panels offering money-saving tips and travel advice.

WHEN: **January 27 - 29, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Los Angeles Convention Center,  
1201 S. Figueroa St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$10  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Times  
INFO: [www.latimes.com/travelshow](http://www.latimes.com/travelshow)

## **20 Garba with Attitude**

The Indian Sub-Continental Club at the University of California, Irvine will host *Garba With Attitude*, a national Garba/Raas (Indian folk dance) competition, attracting student formed teams, audience members of various ages, and organizations from across the nation. *Garba With Attitude* has grown to become America's premier Garba/Raas competition and is the only competition of its kind on the West Coast.

WHEN: **January 28, 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Orange County Performing Arts Center, Segerstrom Hall,  
600 Town Center Dr., Costa Mesa  
COST: Call for prices  
SPONSOR: Indian Sub-Continental Club at University of California, Irvine  
INFO: 626-242-5469, [www.garbawithattitude.com](http://www.garbawithattitude.com)

## **21 2012 Chinese New Year Festival**

This year's festival will feature vendors offering unique gifts and specialty items, food booths with various types of delectable items, amusement rides, and lots of live entertainment. The traditional Chinese New Year lion and dragon dancers along with firecrackers will kick-off the festival Saturday morning. Various types of entertainment will be featured on two stages. A large carnival fun zone by Midway Amusements will be featured in parking lots at the corner of Garvey and Lincoln Avenues.

WHEN: **January 28 & 29 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Business District, Garvey Ave. between Garfield  
and Nicholson, Monterey Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Monterey Park  
INFO: 626-239-6688, [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

## **22 113th Annual Golden Dragon Parade and Festival**

The Year of the Dragon celebration features a parade with beautifully decorated cultural floats, colorful dance troupes, and the magical lion and dragon dancers. Watch the parade go through Chinatown and then visit the Chinese New Year Festival for an all-day family event!

WHEN: **January 28 & 29, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Chinese Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 213-617-0396, [www.lachinesechamber.org](http://www.lachinesechamber.org)

## **23 Get On the Bus #2 – Places of Validation, Art, and Progression**

The California African American Museum will lead a tour to South Los Angeles to see public artworks in the region, then on to the Watts Towers and Watts Towers Arts Center for a day of festivities including a tour and historical overview of this iconic Los Angeles landmark.

**WHEN:** January 29, 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** California African American Museum,  
600 State Dr., Exposition Park, Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$15  
**SPONSOR:** California African American Museum  
**INFO:** 213-744-2024, [www.caamuseum.org](http://www.caamuseum.org)

## **24 Whale Fiesta**

In celebration of marine mammals and the annual several-thousand-mile migration of Pacific Gray whales, enjoy arts and crafts, puppet shows, face painting, and more.

**WHEN:** January 29, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **25 Festival of Human Abilities**

Join the Aquarium of the Pacific for its ninth annual Festival of Human Abilities, a celebration highlighting the creative talents and abilities of people with disabilities. Wheelchair dance, music, signing choirs, art, adaptive SCUBA diving shows, storytelling, service dog demonstrations, and interactive classes by people with disabilities will be featured.



**WHEN:** January 29 & 30, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11),  
Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific  
**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

## **26 Dinofaire at Star Eco Station**

Discover your inner paleontologist with real artifacts, fossils, and an archeology dig for kids! Live performances by Dinoman and his life size dinosaurs! Reservations required.

**WHEN:** January 28 & 29, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Star Eco Station, 10101 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City  
**COST:** To Be Announced  
**SPONSOR:** Star Eco Station  
**INFO:** 310-842-8060, [www.ecostation.org](http://www.ecostation.org)



# FEBRUARY

## **27 African American Heritage Celebrations**

Celebrate African American Heritage Month is a citywide commemoration of African American heritage and history in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Southern California's African American contributions in areas of education, religion, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include a reception hosted by Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa, dance and music concerts, and gallery exhibitions.

WHEN: **Through February and March**  
SITE: Various sites throughout Los Angeles

COST: Varies

SPONSORS: Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles  
Department of Cultural Affairs, Our Authors Study Club, Inc.

INFO: [www.AfricanAmericanLA.com](http://www.AfricanAmericanLA.com)



## **28 African American History Month Programs**

Our Authors Study Club celebrates the African American History Month with an opening ceremony at City Hall, the Dr. Carter G. Woodson Scholarship and awards luncheon, an oratorical contest, and several church and community events.

WHEN: **Through February**  
SITE: Various locations  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Our Authors Study Club, Inc.  
INFO: 310-854-6967

## **29 REDCAT International Children's Film Festival**

REDCAT invites film lovers of all ages to discover a world of cinematic surprises. The event includes the best animated and live-action films for children.

WHEN: **Late February, Various Times**  
SITE: REDCAT, 631 W. 2nd St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Check website for prices  
SPONSOR: REDCAT  
INFO: 213-237-2800, [www.redcat.org](http://www.redcat.org)

## **30 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **February 2, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

### **31 Fiesta de la Candelaria**

This final seasonal event commemorates the presentation of the infant Jesus in the temple. Participants may join the procession and bring an elaborately dressed doll to be blessed. Best dressed doll winners will receive a prize.

WHEN: **February 2, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

### **32 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **February 4, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

### **33 San Gabriel Valley Annual Lunar New Year Celebration**

The Lunar New Year festival attracts over 50,000 attendants on the parade route and festival grounds. The event features colorful floats, marching bands, food booths, arts and crafts, games, rides, entertainment, and cultural exhibits.

WHEN: **February 4, Street Festival 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.,  
Parade 11:00 a.m.**  
SITE: Valley Blvd., between Garfield & Almansor, Alhambra  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Alhambra Chambers of Commerce  
INFO: 626-395-9995, [www.lunarnewyearparade.com](http://www.lunarnewyearparade.com)

### **34 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **February 9, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

### **35 20th Annual Pan African Film & Arts Festival**

America's largest black film festival showcasing over 150 new films from Africa, the United States, Europe, the Caribbean, the South Pacific, South America, and Canada. This event also features 100 black fine artists and crafts people from the world over, poetry, fashion shows, free forums, and panels.

WHEN: **February 9 through 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 midnight**  
SITE: Magic Johnson Theaters at Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza  
3650 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Los Angeles  
COST: Varies by event  
SPONSOR: Pan African Film & Arts Festival  
INFO: 323-295-1706, [www.PAFF.org](http://www.PAFF.org)

## **36 World City – Sounds and Rhythms of Afghanistan**

World City is the Music Center's highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dance from Afghanistan with Sounds and Rhythms of Afghanistan and Ballet Afsaneh.



**WHEN:** February 11,  
11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** W. M. Keck Foundation  
Children's Amphitheatre,  
Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 S. Grand Ave.,  
Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The Music Center  
**INFO:** 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)

## **37 African American Art Festival**

Celebrate African American Heritage month with Capoeira, hip hop dancers, live music, spoken word, visual art, and jewelry. The event also features food vendors, crafts, and more!

**WHEN:** February 11, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Star Eco Station, 10101 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Star Eco Station  
**INFO:** 310-842-8060, [www.ecostation.org](http://www.ecostation.org)

## **38 Target Free Family Saturday: Ready, Set, Go!**

Learning, crafts, and fun for the entire family! February's theme is healthy living. Sponsored by Target, these special Saturdays are filled with fun activities giving families unique ways to learn, play, and grow together.

**WHEN:** February 11, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St.,  
Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Japanese American National Museum  
**INFO:** 213-625-0414, [www.janm.org](http://www.janm.org)

## **39 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

**WHEN:** February 11 & 25, 3:00 p.m. until late evening  
**SITE:** W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Pomona Arts Colony  
**INFO:** 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## 40 Be My Valentine

The Grier Musser Museum hosts its annual Valentine Party, featuring antique valentines, teddy bears, kewpie dolls, and other valentine items on display. Guided tours and refreshments are available. Please call for reservations.

WHEN: **February 12, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Grier Musser Museum, 403 S. Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles  
COST: \$12 per adult, \$6 per children including tour and refreshments  
SPONSOR: Grier Musser Museum  
INFO: 213-413-1814, [www.griermussermuseum.com](http://www.griermussermuseum.com)

## 41 African American Heritage Celebration

This afternoon celebration includes poetry, storytelling, live gospel, jazz, and blues. African artifacts for sale such as kente cloth, mud cloth, soapstone, handmade masks, and tribal earrings add an authentic flavor to the event.

WHEN: **February 17, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Angelus Plaza, 255 S. Hill St., Downtown Los Angeles (4th floor Auditorium)  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Angelus Plaza  
INFO: 213-623-4352 x317

## 42 Great Los Angeles Air Raid

Held at a location that was involved in the incident, this event will include eyewitness accounts of the great Los Angeles Air Raid on February 25, 1942 and re-enactments using authentic military vehicles from the era. Experience a 1940s style swing dance, food and beverage vendors, and more. Come dressed for the occasion.

WHEN: **February 18, Exhibits 12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m., Music and Dancing 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Fort MacArthur Military Museum, Angels Gate Park, 3601 S. Gaffey St., San Pedro  
COST: \$20 - \$30  
SPONSOR: Fort MacArthur Museum, City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-2631, [www.ftmac.org](http://www.ftmac.org)

## 43 L.A. Zine Fest

The L.A. Zine Fest is a gathering of artists and writers to promote and celebrate zines—small, handmade, self-published books containing just about any kind of content (fiction, photography, journalism, poetry, comics, etc.). Downstairs, attendees will find free workshops, panel discussions and live music in L.A.'s premier used bookstore.

WHEN: **February 19, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: 453 S. Spring St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The Last Bookstore, L.A. Zine Fest  
INFO: [www.lazinefest.com](http://www.lazinefest.com)



## **44** Mardi Gras

A celebration of “Fat Tuesday” Olvera Street style with a children’s carnival. The event includes Brazilian singing and dancing, a festive parade, and mask making workshops.

WHEN: **February 21, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument

INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **45** Bones and Blues

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **February 24, 8:00 p.m.**

SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles

COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale

SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)

INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **46** Hillcrest Festival of Fine Arts

Celebrating 52 years as a community service event showcasing the arts. Enjoy artist demonstrations, exhibits, children’s art workshops, an arts and crafts boutique, entertainment, and food. View and shop for ceramics, sculpture, oil and watercolor paintings, jewelry, handmade clothing, mixed media, blown glass, carved wood, pottery, photography, and weaving.

WHEN: **February 24 - 26,  
Friday and Saturday  
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 11:00 a.m. –  
5:00 p.m.**

SITE: 2000 West Rd.,  
La Habra Heights

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Hillcrest Congregational Church

INFO: 562-947-3755, [www.hillcrest-church.org](http://www.hillcrest-church.org)



Wayne Gjoiras

## **47** Temple City Camellia Festival and Carnival

Marching bands come from as far away as Lancaster and Victorville to participate and compete in this three-day festival. Other highlights include games, rides, arts and crafts, and food booths.

WHEN: **February 24 & 26, Saturday 4:00 noon – 10:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

SITE: Temple City Park, 9701 Las Tunas Dr., Temple City

COST: Free

SPONSOR: City of Temple

INFO: 626-285-2171, [www.templecity.us](http://www.templecity.us)

## **48 Complete Whalewatch**

Join Larry Fukuhara, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium Programs Director, for an informative and fun slide presentation in the John Olguin Auditorium. Following the presentation, head out to sea on a local whalewatching vessel in search of gray whales, other marine mammals, and sea life. Only two dates, don't miss the boat!

WHEN: **February 26, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **49 African American Festival**

Join the Aquarium of the Pacific during its tenth annual African American Festival, celebrating African American and African cultures. The event features hip hop and break dancers, tap dancing, Mardi Gras second line dancers, jazz, interactive drum circles, West African dance, cultural storytelling, ethnic food, arts and crafts, and the Heritage Award ceremony.

WHEN: **February 29 & 30, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
COST: \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11),  
Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
SPONSOR: Aquarium of the Pacific  
INFO: 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

# MARCH

## **50 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

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WHEN: **March 1, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **51 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **March 3, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **52 11th Annual Lantern Festival**

The festival, organized by the Chinese American Museum, will include lantern making workshops, crafts, entertainment, artisans, and cultural exhibits.

**WHEN:** March 3, 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument, 125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** El Pueblo Historical Monument  
**INFO:** 213-485-8372, [www.camla.org](http://www.camla.org)



Michael Sampiano

## **53 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

**WHEN:** March 8, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Gallery Row Organization  
**INFO:** [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **54 Target Free Family Saturday: Folding Paper!**

Celebrate *Folding Paper: The Infinite Possibilities of Origami* with a day of origami for the whole family. Sponsored by Target, these special Saturdays are filled with fun activities giving families unique ways to learn, play, and grow together.

**WHEN:** March 10, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Japanese American National Museum  
**INFO:** 213-625-0414, [www.janm.org](http://www.janm.org)

## **55 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

**WHEN:** March 10 & 31, 3:00 p.m. until late evening  
**SITE:** W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Pomona Arts Colony  
**INFO:** 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)



## **56 World City – Inca Son & Ccanto Scissors Dancers**

World City is the Music Center’s highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dance from Peru with Incan Son and Ccanto Scissors Dancers.

**WHEN:** March 17, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** W. M. Keck Foundation Children’s Amphitheatre,  
 Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 S. Grand Ave.,  
 Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The Music Center  
**INFO:** 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)

## **57 6th Annual Santa Monica Airport Artwalk**

More than 60 local artists and performers will have their private studios and works on view at the fifth annual Santa Monica Airport ArtWalk. Throughout the day there will be pottery firing demonstrations, theater, and art workshops for kids. Food will be offered from local restaurants Typhoon and Spitfire Grill as well as the Border Grill food truck and The Sweets Truck.



Deena Mecham

**WHEN:** March 17,  
 12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Santa Monica Airport, between 2800 to 3100 Airport Ave.,  
 Santa Monica  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs Division, Santa Monica  
 Airport, Santa Monica College  
**INFO:** 310-434-2630, <http://arts.smgov.net/airportartwalk.htm>



## **58 St. Patrick's Day**

The Hermosa Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade began with a group of friends meeting at the old Fat Face Fenner's Faloon on Hermosa Avenue in Hermosa Beach. Since 1995, what began as a group of Irish Americans celebrating their heritage has morphed into a great 'hometown' local event

drawing thousands to the streets of Hermosa Beach each year in a great celebration of community while retaining important elements of Irish heritage and culture.



**WHEN:** March 17, check website for time  
**SITE:** Pier Ave., Hermosa Beach  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.hbchamber.net](http://www.hbchamber.net)

## **59 Los Angeles Marathon**

This event is the largest marathon held in California, the fourth largest in the country, and the seventh largest in the world. Different entertainment centers located throughout the course will reflect the ethnic neighborhoods, as well as the cultural diversity of Los Angeles and the marathon runners themselves.

**WHEN:** March 18, 7:00 a.m.  
**SITE:** Course starts at the Dodgers Stadium, 1000 Elysian Park Ave., Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$145  
**SPONSOR:** Honda  
**INFO:** 310-271-7200, [www.lamarathon.com](http://www.lamarathon.com)

## **60 17th Annual International Family Film Festival (IFFF)**

The festival promotes socially responsible films and screenplays, suitable for a general audience, which express a fundamental respect for the positive values of life.

**WHEN:** March 21 - 25, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Raleigh Studios, 5300 Melrose Ave., Hollywood  
**COST:** \$10  
**SPONSOR:** IFFF  
**INFO:** 818-230-2672, [www.iffilmfest.org](http://www.iffilmfest.org)

## **61 Complete Whalewatch**

Join Larry Fukuhara, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium Programs Director, for an informative and fun slide presentation in the John Olguin Auditorium. Following the presentation, head out to sea on a local whalewatching vessel in search of gray whales, other marine mammals, and sea life. Only two dates, don't miss the boat!

**WHEN:** March 25, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **62 42nd Annual Blue Ribbon Children's Festival**

The annual festival began in 1970 and is one of California's longest ongoing free arts education programs, hosting over 700,000 children since its inception. This year the festival will feature *Blast!*, winner of the 2001 Tony Award for Best Theatrical Event and the 2001 Emmy Award for Best Choreography. Following each performance, all the attending students assemble on the Music Center Plaza to perform a short dance incorporating material from the production. The Music Center invites fifth grade teachers and their students from the greater Los Angeles area to participate in this admission-free festival.

WHEN: **March 27 - 29, 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.**

WHEN: Music Center, 135 N. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Music Center Education

INFO: 213-250- ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org/education](http://www.musiccenter.org/education)

## **63 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **March 30, 8:00 p.m.**

SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles

COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale

SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)

INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **64 BubbleFest XVI**

Don't miss Orange County's most astounding spring break bubble spectacular! Bubblefest features good, clean fun for the entire family! The festival includes bubble learning stations where bubble-blowers can explore the secrets and sciences behind making the biggest and best bubbles.

WHEN: **March 31 - April 22, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

SITE: Discovery Science Center, 2500 N. Main St., Santa Ana

COST: Adults \$23.95, Children \$18.95, Members and Children 2 and under Free

SPONSOR: Discovery Science Center

INFO: 714-542-2823, [www.discoverycube.org](http://www.discoverycube.org)

# APRIL

## **65 Thai New Year "Songkran" Festival**

This is a day-long celebration of Thai culture in Thai Town. The event will feature a wide variety of the Thai traditional activities, including Thai kick boxing, stage performances, Thai food cooking demonstrations, and Thai Heritage Village. The event will also feature exhibitions, vendors, traditional arts, and hand crafts.

WHEN: **April 1, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

SITE: Hollywood Blvd. between Western Ave. and Normandie Ave., Thai Town

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Thai New Year Songkran Festival Corp.

INFO: 323-640-4033, [www.thainewyear.com](http://www.thainewyear.com)



## **66 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

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WHEN: **April 5, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **67 Big Bunny's Spring Fling**

The Los Angeles Zoo celebrates spring with three days of pettable rabbits, funny bunny ears, crafts, and special entertainment for the whole family.

WHEN: **April 6 - 8, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens,  
5333 Zoo Dr., Los Angeles  
COST: Free with paid admission, \$14 Adults, \$9 Children (2-12)  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Zoo  
INFO: 323-644-4200, [www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org)

## **68 Spring Open House / Easter Show**

Join the Yucca Community Center and get information about what it has to offer. The event includes an Easter egg hunt, free food, live performances, information booth, arts and crafts, and plenty of activities for the whole family.

WHEN: **April 7, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Yucca Community Center, 6671 Yucca St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Yucca Community Center, City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation & Parks  
INFO: 323-957-6339, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **69 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **April 7, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **70 Blessing of the Animals**

This centuries-old tradition of blessing the animals, for the many benefits they provide mankind, is celebrated in the plaza. Brightly adorned animals and their human companions assemble in the historic Plaza for a procession. All pets are welcome.

WHEN: **April 7, 12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **71 Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles (IFFLA)**

IFFLA showcases films from or about India made by Indian and international filmmakers. The mission of the festival is to promote a greater appreciation of Indian culture and cinema.

WHEN: **April 10 - 15, all day**  
SITE: ArcLight Hollywood, 6360 W. Sunset Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: \$10  
SPONSOR: IFFLA  
INFO: 310-364-4403, [www.indianfilmfestival.org](http://www.indianfilmfestival.org)

## **72 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **April 12, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **73 Target Free Family Saturday: Monster Mash**

Enjoy a day of monster related fun and crafts for the whole family. Sponsored by Target, these special Saturdays are filled with fun activities giving families unique ways to learn, play, and grow together.

WHEN: **April 14, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Japanese American National Museum, 369 E. First St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Japanese American National Museum  
INFO: 213-625-0414, [www.janm.org](http://www.janm.org)

## **74 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **April 14 & 28, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **75 CicLAvia**

Inspired by *ciclovía*, the weekly street closure event in Bogotá, Colombia, established over 30 years ago, CicLAvia consists of the temporary opening of Los Angeles streets to all Angelenos. Free to the public, it interconnects diverse portions of the city, creating a web of temporary public space, free of car traffic.

WHEN: **April 15, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: To Be Announced  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: CicLAvia Committee  
INFO: 213-365-0605

## **76 City of Lights, City of Angels (COLCOA) – A Week of French Film Premieres in Hollywood**

COLCOA, a week of French film premieres in Hollywood, is one of the biggest events dedicated to French cinema in the world with an exclusive program of 50 films, including world and North American premieres. All films presented with English subtitles.

WHEN: **April 16 - 23, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 midnight**  
SITE: Directors Guild of America Theatre Complex,  
7920 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles  
COST: \$10 General Admission, \$7 Seniors, \$5 Students  
SPONSOR: Franco American Cultural Fund (FACF)  
INFO: [www.colcoa.org](http://www.colcoa.org)

## **77 Cowboy Festival**

The annual Santa Clarita Cowboy Festival celebrates the culture of cowboy with music, poetry, food, shopping, and fun at Melody Ranch Motion Picture Studio.

WHEN: **April 19 - 22, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Melody Ranch Motion Picture Studio,  
24715 Oakcreek Ave., Newhall  
COST: \$15 Adults, \$10 Child  
SPONSOR: City of Santa Clarita  
INFO: 661-250-3735, [www.cowboyfestival.org](http://www.cowboyfestival.org)

## **78 Olvera Street 81st Anniversary**

This event celebrates Olvera Street, one of the oldest streets in Los Angeles: a Mexican marketplace opened in the 1930s. The event also includes free refreshments and family entertainment.

WHEN: **April 21, Time to Be Determined**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **79 Earth Day**

Celebrate our Ocean Planet at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium with a day of free programs including a beach cleanup, speakers, information and activities. Participation options include joining the beach clean-up, grunion egg hatching, guided walks to the salt marsh, and more.

WHEN: **April 21, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **80 Black Writers on Tour**

The tour gives exposure to authors and motivates aspiring new writers among children and adults. The event includes workshops for children and adults, poetry jam competitions, a children's writing contest, and exhibit booths.

WHEN: **April 21, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Carson Civic Center, 801 E. Carson St, Carson  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Black Writers on Tour  
INFO: 323-750-3592, [www.blackwritersontour.com](http://www.blackwritersontour.com)

## **81** Getty Villa Family Festival

This family-oriented festival offers a day of celebration and discovery inspired by exhibitions at the Getty Villa. Each unique festival features performances by local dance and music groups, storytelling, art-making workshops, and gallery activities.

**WHEN:** April 21, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Getty Villa, 17985 Pacific Coast Highway,  
Pacific Palisades  
**COST:** Free; a ticket is required  
**SPONSOR:** The Getty  
**INFO:** 310-440-7300

## **82** LA Zoo Earth Day Expo

The Zoo's Earth Day Expo will be filled with entertaining and educational activities such as crafts, recycling and conservation information booths, games, and interactive activities.

**WHEN:** April 21 & 22, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Los Angeles Zoo & Botanical Gardens,  
5333 Zoo Dr., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free with paid admission, \$14 Adults, \$9 Children (2-12)  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Zoo  
**INFO:** 323-644-4200, [www.lazoo.org](http://www.lazoo.org)

## **83** Los Angeles Times Festival of Books

Take your love of books to new depths at the country's largest celebration of the written word. The festival includes over 400 authors blended with hundreds of exhibitors representing booksellers, publishers, literacy and cultural organizations, author readings, book signings, children's activities, and more.

**WHEN:** April 21 & 22, Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** USC University Park Campus, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The Los Angeles Times  
**INFO:** 213-237-6160, [www.latimes.com/events](http://www.latimes.com/events)

## **84** Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival

The Cherry Blossom Festival provides a glimpse into Japanese culture through its program of cultural entertainment, exhibits, traditional Japanese dancing, taiko drumming, martial arts, a kimono fashion show, a tea ceremony, children's crafts, and more.

**WHEN:** April 21 & 22, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival  
**INFO:** 626-307-1390, [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

## **85** Azusa Fest 2012

The festival includes a heritage tour, a gospel music extravaganza, dancers, and dramas. Come out Thursday through Sunday for a musical festival in Little Tokyo. Enjoy lunch or dinner under the tent on Azusa Street as the musicians play.



**WHEN:** April 26 - 29, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** 244 S. San Pedro, Little Tokyo, Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$25 Adults, \$10 Children  
**SPONSOR:** Azusa Street Mission & Historical Society  
**INFO:** 323-692-7268, [www.azusastreetmission.org](http://www.azusastreetmission.org)

## **86 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **April 27, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **87 8th Annual Walk All Over Cancer Walk-a-Thon & Multi-Cultural Festival**

This is a fun festival for the entire family. The event includes live entertainment, free BBQ, activities for kids, and health vendors. This is the only walk-a-thon that walk for children, women, men, and all types of cancers.

WHEN: **April 28, 10:00 a.m.**  
SITE: Ted Watkins Park, 1335 E. 103rd St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: One Child Our Village Foundation  
INFO: 323-239-4844, [www.onechildourvillage.org](http://www.onechildourvillage.org)

## **88 World City – Sacred Earth**

World City is the Music Center's highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dances from India.



Ed Bock

WHEN: **April 28, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.**  
SITE: W. M. Keck Foundation Children's Amphitheatre, Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The Music Center  
INFO: 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)

## **89 International Children's Day Festival**

Celebrate the children in your life at the Aquarium of the Pacific's International Children's Day Festival. This event features performances by kids, including an international choir, songs and dances from Native American, African, Mexican, Pacific Islander, and Asian cultures, as well as crafts, face-painting, and the Young Hero Award ceremony.

WHEN: **April 28 & 29, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
COST: \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11), Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
SPONSOR: Aquarium of the Pacific  
INFO: 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

## **90 Israel Independence Day Festival**

Day Festival presents a full day of entertainment on four stages with 250 Judaic and Israeli vendor booths, an artists' pavilion, carnival rides, non-stop folk dancing, dozens of ethnic food booths, free arts and crafts for children, a sky diving show, a fashion show, special programs for kids and teenagers, and an official ceremony.

**WHEN:** April 29, 10 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** 6350 Woodley Park, Van Nuys  
**COST:** \$10  
**SPONSOR:** Israel Independence Day Festival  
**INFO:** 818-757-0123, [www.israelifestival.com](http://www.israelifestival.com)



Irene Golan

## **91 Fiesta Broadway**

The largest Cinco de Mayo celebration in the country will feature both renowned and local Latino entertainment.

**WHEN:** April 29, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown Los Angeles, on Broadway from 1st St. to 11th St.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** All Access Entertainment  
**INFO:** 310-914-0015, [www.allaccess.la](http://www.allaccess.la)

# MAY

## **92 Asian American Heritage Month Celebrations**

Asian American Month is a citywide commemoration of Asian American heritage and history in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Southern California's Asian American contributions in the areas of education, religion, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include music concerts, performances, and several gallery exhibitions.

**WHEN:** Throughout May  
**SITE:** Various sites throughout Los Angeles  
**COST:** Varies  
**SPONSOR:** The City of Los Angeles Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
**INFO:** [www.apahm.org](http://www.apahm.org)

## **93 Very Special Arts Festival**

The Very Special Arts Festival celebrates the artistic achievements of young people with disabilities along with their mainstream peers. The festival features continuous performances, art workshops, an art exhibit, and a technology display produced by the students.

**WHEN:** May 3, 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Music Center Plaza, 135 N. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Music Center Education  
**INFO:** 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org/education](http://www.musiccenter.org/education)



Howard Pasamanick



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**WHEN:** May 3, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **95 Los Angeles Harbor International Film Festival (LAHIFF)**

The festival showcases film and video that reflects the harbor and all that it embraces – shipping and commerce, fishing, sailing, water sports, sea life and the area's rich ethnic and cultural influences – to create a cinematic bridge between the people of the region and the people of the world.

**WHEN:** May 3 - 6, Various times  
**SITE:** Warner Grand Theatre, 478 W. 6th St., San Pedro  
**COST:** \$5 - \$75  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs, Office of Council District 15  
**INFO:** 310-519-0756, [www.laharborfilmfest.com](http://www.laharborfilmfest.com)



Alyssa Marks

## **96 Southeast European Film Festival Los Angeles**

The festival showcases the cultural diversity of Southeast Europe and fosters cultural exchange through its annual presentations of films from this region. Throughout the year the program offers individual screenings and promotes films at other festivals, organizes seminars and lectures, and creates opportunities for cultural exchange between Southern California and Southeast Europe.

**WHEN:** May 3 - 7, Various times  
**SITE:** Goethe Institute, 5750 Wilshire Blvd., Ground floor, Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$10 General Admission  
**SPONSOR:** Goethe Institute Los Angeles  
**INFO:** 310-709-5497, [www.seefilmla.org](http://www.seefilmla.org)

## **97 Los Angeles Master Chorale High School Choir Festival**

The Chorale opens the doors of the Walt Disney Concert Hall to the city free-of-charge for its annual Los Angeles Master Chorale High School Choir Festival. One of the largest high school choir festivals in the nation, it showcases the remarkable vocal talents of more than 900 high school students from 25 Southland schools in a massive choir conducted by Grant Gershon. The community is welcome to enjoy the vitality and power of these young voices raised in song in the splendid setting of Disney Hall.

WHEN: **May 4, 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Walt Disney Concert Hall,  
111 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Master Chorale  
INFO: [www.lamc.org](http://www.lamc.org)

## **98 Cinco de Mayo**

A celebration of Mexico's victory over the French forces in Puebla, Mexico in 1862, with popular and traditional music, cultural presentations, dance, and food booths for everyone to enjoy.

WHEN: **May 4 - 6, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument, 125 Paseo de la Plaza,  
Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **99 Venice Garden and Home Tour**

Don't miss touring more than 30 eclectic and imaginative gardens and homes of the unique seaside community of Venice, benefiting the non-profit Neighborhood Youth Association.

WHEN: **May 5, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Las Doradas Children's Center, 804 Broadway, Venice  
COST: \$60 in advance, \$70 at the door  
SPONSOR: Neighborhood Youth Association  
INFO: 310-821-1857, [www.venicegardentour.org](http://www.venicegardentour.org)

## **100 Cinco de Mayo Celebration**

This annual celebration features a wide variety of entertainers, including folklorico dancers, mariachis, and other traditional Mexican music.

WHEN: **May 6, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Barnes Park Amphitheater,  
350 S. McPherrin Ave, Monterey Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Monterey Park  
INFO: [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

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SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

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WHEN: **May 10, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **103 2012 Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival**

Established in 1983, the Visual Communications Film Festival is Southern California's premier showcase for film and video works by Asian Pacific American and Asian Pacific international cinema artists. The festival encompasses screenings, panels, workshops, and artists' awards.

WHEN: **May 10 - 19, Various times**  
SITE: Directors Guild of America, CGV Cinemas  
COST: \$12  
SPONSOR: Visual Communications  
INFO: 213-680-4462, [www.asianfilmfestla.org/2012/](http://www.asianfilmfestla.org/2012/)

## **104 7th Annual Celebrating Words Festival**

The event is an annual, one-day celebration held to honor, encourage, and promote literacy and the arts of Sylmar and its surrounding communities. Come and enjoy community artists, poets, musicians, authors, and youth from different cultural backgrounds as they share their expressive arts.

WHEN: **May 12, 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Los Angeles Mission College, 13356 Eldridge Ave., Sylmar  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Tia Chucha's Centro Cultural, Inc.  
INFO: [www.tiachucha.com](http://www.tiachucha.com)

## **105 Pomona Art Walk**

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WHEN: **May 12 & 26, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **106 Celebrate Puppetry**

To event celebrate the multidisciplinary art of puppetry, McGroarty Arts Center offers this free to the Los Angeles community. Attend workshops, performances, booths, and food. Get in the mood with pre-festival workshops a week before festival day.

WHEN: **Pre-Festival Workshops May 13, 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Celebrate Puppetry Festival May 19, 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: McGroarty Arts Center, 7570 McGroarty Terrace, Tujunga  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: McGroarty Arts Center, City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
INFO: 818-352-5285, [www.balibeyond.com/cp.html](http://www.balibeyond.com/cp.html)



Maria Bodmann

## **107 2nd Annual ARTrageous Art Walk**

This family-oriented event features musicians, artists, vendors, and food trucks through the streets of Historic Downtown Canoga Park.

WHEN: **May 17, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

SITE: Sherman Way between Canoga and Topanga,  
Downtown Canoga Park

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Canoga Park Improvement Association, Canoga Park  
Centennial Celebration, City of Los Angeles Department of  
Cultural Affairs

INFO: 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkcal.com](http://www.canogaparkcal.com)

## **108 Play Days Carnival**

The carnival is one of the highlights of Monterey Park's annual birthday celebration. The event includes four days of rides at Barnes Park and live concerts.

WHEN: **May 17 - 20, Check website for times**

SITE: Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park

COST: Free

SPONSOR: City of Monterey Park

INFO: 626-307-1390, [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

## **109 Asian & Pacific Islander Older Adults Festival**

The festival brings Folk dancers and choral groups from China, Japan, Korea, and the Philippines. Performers, grace the stage in exotic attire to promote diversity and genuine cultural appreciation.

WHEN: **May 18, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

SITE: Angelus Plaza, Hill Street Courtyard,  
255 S. Hill St., Downtown Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Angelus Plaza

INFO: 213-623-4352 x317

## **110 World City – Halau O'Keikiali i**

World City is the Music Center's highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dance from Native Hawaiian with Halau O' Keikiali i.

WHEN: **May 19, 11:00 a.m.  
& 12:30 p.m.**

SITE: W. M. Keck Foundation  
Children's  
Amphitheatre, Walt  
Disney Concert Hall,  
111 S. Grand Ave.,  
Downtown Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: The Music Center

INFO: 213-250-ARTS,  
[www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)



## **111 Santa Monica Festival**



Allison Ostrovsky

A free celebration of art, culture, and green activism. Groove to music as you shop for homemade goods, enjoy local food, and learn how to live sustainable.

**WHEN:** May 19, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Clover Park, 2600 Ocean Park Blvd, Santa Monica  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs Division, Community and Cultural Services Department, and Office of Sustainability and the Environment  
**INFO:** 310-458-8350, [www.smgov.net/festival](http://www.smgov.net/festival)

## **112 Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest and Folk Festival**

This musical festival features four stages and over 100 instrumental and singing contestants from western style to jamming musicians playing on outdoor Western movie sets. The event also includes folk arts booths, National Parks booths, good eats, and children's activities. Since 1961, this event has been Southern California's premier old-time and bluegrass music festival!

**WHEN:** May 20, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Paramount Movie Ranch, Cornell Rd., Agoura Hills, in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area  
**COST:** \$15  
**SPONSOR:** Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest and Folk Festival, Inc.  
**INFO:** [www.topangabanjofiddle.org](http://www.topangabanjofiddle.org)

## **113 Play Days Parade**

Celebrate Monterey Park's annual birthday with a parade along Garvey Avenue. The event includes schools bands, dance groups, clowns, and fun for the entire family.

**WHEN:** May 20, 11:00 a.m.  
**SITE:** Garvey Ave, between Alhambra and McPherrin, Monterey Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Monterey Park  
**INFO:** 626-307-1390, [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

## **114 2012 Presencia Cubana en Los Angeles**

This festival celebrates the cultural heritage of the Cuban community living throughout the greater Los Angeles area. Come and enjoy live performances, arts and crafts, Cuban food, and activities for children. The event also commemorates the island's freedom from Spain on May 20, 1902.

**WHEN:** May 20, 12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Echo Park Lake, 1632 Bellevue Ave., Echo Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Duval Productions  
**INFO:** 310-261-8778, [www.duvalproductions.net](http://www.duvalproductions.net)

### **115 Grunion Fishtival**

Join the Aquarium for some night time fishy fun and a chance to hatch your very own grunion! Enjoy a classic grunion video, some arts and crafts, and a chance to speak with grunion researchers while exploring the aquarium at night!

WHEN: **May 22, 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 Midnight**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: \$5 Adults, \$1 Seniors and Children  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

### **116 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **May 25, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

### **117 Fiesta Hermosa**

For the past 40 years, the Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce has produced Fiesta Hermosa, the largest arts and crafts fair in Southern California. Over 270 artists and crafters are featured, including painters, photographers, ceramicists, jewelers, sculptors, and handcrafters. With the ocean as a backdrop, the festival takes place every Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekend in downtown Hermosa Beach.



WHEN: **May 26 - 28, Check website for times**  
SITE: Downtown Hermosa Beach  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.hbchamber.net](http://www.hbchamber.net)

### **118 Canoga Park Memorial Day Parade**

This annual Canoga Park Memorial Day parade honors the military personnel at home and overseas. This year there will be a 5K run before the parade and a celebration at Quimby Park after the parade with entertainment and vendor booths.

WHEN: **May 28, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Sherman Way and Owensmouth Ave., Canoga Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Canoga Park West Hills Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkmemorialdayparade.com](http://www.canogaparkmemorialdayparade.com)

# JUNE

## **119 National Gay Pride Month and City of LA LGBT Heritage Month Celebration**

National Gay Pride Month is a citywide celebration of Gay Pride in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Southern California's gay and lesbian contributions in the areas of education, politics, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include educational programs, gallery exhibitions, theater, and dance performances.

**WHEN:** Through June

**SITE:** Various sites throughout Los Angeles

**COST:** Varies

**SPONSORS:** Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center, City of West Hollywood, City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office

**INFO:** [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **120 Dance Camera West Dance Film Festival**

Dance Camera West Los Angeles Dance Film Festival is a month-long festival of screenings and events featuring experimental shorts, documentaries, and features at locations around Los Angeles, with a special outdoor event.

**WHEN:** Throughout June, check website for dates and times

**SITE:** Locations throughout Los Angeles

**COST:** Some events are free, while other events vary in price

**SPONSOR:** Dance Camera West

**INFO:** 213-480-8633, [www.dancecamerawest.org](http://www.dancecamerawest.org)

## **121 Grand Performances Free 2012 Outdoor Concert Series**

Los Angeles' premiere free summer concert series celebrates the City's rich diversity through the performing arts. Grand Performances presents more than forty free noon and evening performing arts events in downtown Los Angeles' California Plaza.

**WHEN:** June through August, Most shows begin at 8:00 p.m.

**SITE:** 350 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Grand Performances

**INFO:** 213-687-2190, [www.grandperformances.org](http://www.grandperformances.org)



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## **122 Long Beach Municipal Band Concert Series**

The Long Beach Municipal Band is in its 103rd season, making it the longest surviving, municipally-supported band in the country. The annual summer concert series provides a chance for neighbors and families to gather outdoors for a relaxing evening of entertainment and music. You are welcome to bring your picnic basket, blankets, and lawn chairs.



Staff/Long Beach Parks, Recreation & Marine

**WHEN:** Late June through August, 6:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Various parks located throughout the city  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation & Marine  
**INFO:** 562-570-3524, [www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)

## **123 Movies in the Park**

The movies and popcorn are free — time spent with family and friends — priceless! Movies begin at dusk. Bring a lawn chair, blanket, a picnic basket, and the whole family. Check website for movie and park location information.



Staff/Long Beach Parks, Recreation & Marine

**WHEN:** End of June through early September, Various times  
**SITE:** Various park located throughout the city  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, Signal Hill Petroleum, Partners of Parks  
**INFO:** 562-570-3150, [www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)

## **124 80th Annual Long Beach Sea Festival**

Dozens of activities are scheduled at beach areas, pools and parks throughout Long Beach, including the Chinese Dragon Boat Race and the Great Sand Sculpture event. There are aquatic events for the entire family!

**WHEN:** End of June through mid-September, Various times  
**SITE:** Beaches, pools, and parks in the Long Beach area  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine  
**INFO:** 562-426-7670, [www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)



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## **125 Hollywood Bowl**

The Hollywood Bowl is the summer venue for the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Nearly 80 concerts are presented during the twelve-week summer festival each year, including orchestral, jazz, popular, and world music.

**WHEN:** June through September, varies times  
**SITE:** Hollywood Bowl, 2301 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood  
**COST:** Varies  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Philharmonic  
**INFO:** 323-850-2000, [www.hollywoodbowl.com](http://www.hollywoodbowl.com)



## **126 Theatricum Botanicum 2012 Summer Repertory Season**

Join the annual summer season of Shakespeare and the classics set in a rustic, outdoor amphitheatre located in a natural canyon ravine. Picnickers are welcome.

**WHEN:** June through October, Various times, please call for schedule  
**SITE:** Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum,  
1419 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga  
**COST:** \$10 - \$32 Adults, Children 5 and under free  
**SPONSOR:** Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
**INFO:** 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

## **127 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

**WHEN:** June 2, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** Chinatown Business Improvement District  
**INFO:** 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **128 Pacific Islander Festival**

Watch hula performances, listen to Tahitian drumming, try ancient Hawaiian games, enjoy island cuisine, admire artisans creating traditional weavings, and enjoy storytelling and educational programs. The Aquarium of the Pacific's ninth annual Pacific Islander Festival will feature various cultures, including Hawaiian, Fijian, Marshallese, Chamoru, Tahitian, Samoan, Tokelau, and Maori.

**WHEN:** June 2 & 3, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11),  
Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific  
**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

## **129 7th Annual Lummis Day Festival**

The Lummis Day Festival celebrates the patchwork of cultures that enriches the city. Artists represent Latino, Tagalog, Native American, Anglo, and African American traditions. Music includes blues, rock, banda, salsa, jazz, and country. Dance troupes represent Philippine, Mexican, Pacific Island, Irish, and jazz dance traditions. Poets, painters, and culinary artists, all with local connections, add to the festival's collection of cultures.

**WHEN:** June 3, 10:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Lummis Home, 200 E. Ave. 43, Los Angeles and Heritage  
Square Museum, 3800 Homer St., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Lummis Day Community Foundation, Inc.  
**INFO:** [www.lummisday.org](http://www.lummisday.org)

### **130 Concerts on the Green**

Since 1975, the Valley Cultural Center has presented a series of free “Concerts on the Green” during the summer. Organized to enrich the lives of Valley residents, these concerts feature top pop, jazz, classical, folk, and world music performances every Sunday afternoon at Warner Park.



Mickey Elliot

**WHEN:** June 3, 10, 17, 24, 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Valley Cultural Center, Wells Fargo  
**INFO:** 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

### **131 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

**WHEN:** June 7, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

### **132 World Ocean Day**

Visit the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium to celebrate the ocean and share how important it is in our lives. Family-oriented activities like arts and crafts, scavenger hunts, animal stories and a close up look of baby animals grown at the Aquarium. Enjoy themes like conservation of our urban coastline and precious marine inhabitants

**WHEN:** June 9, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

### **133 Getty Center Family Festival**

This family-oriented festival offers a day of celebration and discovery inspired by exhibitions at the Getty Villa. Each unique festival features performances by local dance and music groups, storytelling, art-making workshops, and gallery activities.

**WHEN:** June 9, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Getty Center, 1200 Getty Center Dr., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The Getty  
**INFO:** 310-440-7300

### **134 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **June 9 & 30, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

### **135 2012 Ginger Faire: Sweet, Spice & Everything Nice**

Ginger (and other spices) is the theme of this festival's world food, music, artisan crafts, healthy living, and eco-friendly family fun.

WHEN: **June 10, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: CausaConnect  
INFO: 213-446-3467, [www.gingerfaire.com](http://www.gingerfaire.com)

### **136 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **June 14, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

### **137 LA Film Fest**

The Los Angeles Film Festival is Southern California's largest film event. The festival showcases the best in new American and international cinema and gives access to some of the most critically acclaimed film talent from around the world. Schedule includes red-carpet premieres, conversations with artists, and outdoor screenings.

WHEN: **June 14 - 24, Various times**  
SITE: Regal Cinemas L.A. LIVE Stadium 14,  
John Anson Ford Amphitheatre  
COST: \$12  
SPONSOR: Film Independent  
INFO: 866-FILMFEST, [www.lafilmfest.com](http://www.lafilmfest.com)

### **138 Community Yard Sale**

This community yard sale includes more than 30 booths, inflatable for kids, and fun for the whole family.

WHEN: **June 16, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Elysian Valley Recreation Center,  
1811 Ripple St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Elysian Valley Recreation Center  
INFO: 323-666-5058, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **139 World City – Kùlú Mèlé**

World City is the Music Center's highly acclaimed free performance series reflecting the rich array of cultures making up the Los Angeles community. In addition to performances, free arts workshops for children are offered in the adjacent Blue Ribbon Garden. The event will feature music and dance from West Africa with Kùlú Mèlé.



**WHEN:** June 16, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** W. M. Keck Foundation Children's Amphitheatre,  
Walt Disney Concert Hall, 111 S. Grand Ave.,  
Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The Music Center  
**INFO:** 213-250-ARTS, [www.musiccenter.org](http://www.musiccenter.org)

### **140 Fiesta de las Flores**

The entire Monument, including the colorful Olvera Street Mexican Marketplace will be decorated to create scenes from Los Angeles' historic past. Various areas provide opportunities for both amateur and professional photographer alike.

**WHEN:** June 16, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** El Pueblo Historical Monument  
**INFO:** 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

### **141 Mixed Roots Film and Literary Festival**

The Festival celebrates storytelling of the mixed racial and cultural experience including that of transracial/cultural adoption and interracial/cultural relationships. The Festival brings together film and book lovers, innovative artists, and families interested in the mixed racial and cultural experience and includes workshops, readings, film screenings, live performances, and comedy.

**WHEN:** June 16 & 17, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Japanese American National Museum,  
369 E. First St., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Mixed Chicks Chat  
**INFO:** 310-712-1632, [www.mxroots.org](http://www.mxroots.org)

### **142 2nd Annual ARTrageous Art Walk**

This family-oriented event features musicians, artists, vendors, and food trucks through the streets of Historic Downtown Canoga Park.

**WHEN:** June 21, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Sherman Way between Canoga and Topanga,  
Downtown Canoga Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Canoga Park Improvement Association, Canoga Park  
Centennial Celebration, City of Los Angeles Department of  
Cultural Affairs  
**INFO:** 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkcal.com](http://www.canogaparkcal.com)

### **143 Catalina Above and Below**

The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium will sponsor an observation and collecting expedition to Catalina Island aboard the 93-foot vessel, First String departing Los Angeles Harbor Sportfishing Landing in Ports O' Call Village in San Pedro. One of our most popular boat trips! See first-hand, methods used by aquarium staff to capture marine specimens.

WHEN: **June 23, 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: \$95  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

### **144 26th Annual Long Beach Bayou Festival**

Hear the sound of New Orleans at this two-day celebration. For 26 years the festival brings a mix of authentic Louisiana music, Creole food, and arts and crafts, for a weekend of music, dancing, and fun.

WHEN: **June 23 & 24, Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Rainbow Lagoon Park, Long Beach  
COST: \$10 - \$65  
SPONSOR: Budweiser  
INFO: 562-424-0013, [www.longbeachbayoufestival.com](http://www.longbeachbayoufestival.com)

### **145 Griffith Park Free Shakespeare Festival**

This is the largest summer theater festival, presented outdoors in a natural amphitheater in Griffith Park. There are 10-weeks of free performances, including *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *The Winter's Tale*, and *The Comedy of Errors*. Bring your family and a picnic.

WHEN: **June 28 through  
September 2,  
Thursdays through  
Sundays 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Old Zoo, Griffith Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Independent Shakespeare Co.  
INFO: 818-710-6303, [www.iscla.org](http://www.iscla.org)



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### **146 Cars and Stripes Forever**

This event includes more than 100 classic cars and motorcycles, live music and new songs at the Fountain. Food and beverage sales benefited local non-profits.

WHEN: **June 29, 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Swinford & Harbor Blvd., San Pedro  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Port of Los Angeles  
INFO: 310-732-3508, [www.portla.org](http://www.portla.org)

### **147 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **June 29, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

# HIGHLIGHTED FESTIVALS

This year DCA highlights the **Hola Mexico Film Festival** in our Annual Festival Guide.

The **Hola Mexico Film Festival** is an event that illuminates Mexican reality as seen through the eyes of its film directors.

The documentaries, comedies, and dramas showcased during the celebration provide exposure to Mexican cinema for new audiences and enrich our community.



## HOLA MEXICO FILM FESTIVAL

In May 2012, the Montalban Theater in Hollywood will welcome 15,000 enthusiastic

Mexicans and lovers

of Mexican film to the **Hola Mexico Film Festival** in Los Angeles for one week.



They will be treated to a Mexican temple of cinema, where Mexican food and beverages will be followed by engaging films that talk directly about what is occurring in Mexico today. The festival is enhanced by daily red carpet events, where Mexican stars talk to the press and fans alike. Films are followed by question and answer sessions with filmmakers allowing the filmmakers to directly interact with the audiences after their films speak to their intellect and their emotions.



The Opening Night Gala will be a grand evening to celebrate the inauguration of the festival. During the week, the festival hosts secret screenings, daily matinees for students, and conferences. In May, this will be the best place to be for all lovers of Mexico and its culture.

The Mexican film industry has grown impressively in recent years and the **Hola Mexico Film Festival** will showcase these advancements. The festival panel handpicked twelve of the finest Mexican films recently produced including: *Presunto Culpable* (Presumed Guilty), *Asalto al Cine* (The Cinema Hold Up), *Año Bisiesto* (Leap Year), and *Sin Ella* (Without Her).



WHEN: May 24 to 30, 2012. Times vary.  
SITE: Ricardo Montalban Theatre  
1615 Vine Street (between Hollywood and Sunset)  
Hollywood, CA, 90028  
323.871.2420  
COST: \$10.00 General Screening  
SPONSORS: The Hola Mexico Film Festival  
INFO: 818.290.3877, [info@holamexicoff.com](mailto:info@holamexicoff.com),  
[www.holamexicoff.com](http://www.holamexicoff.com)

# Made in L.A. 2012

**Inaugurates a New Exhibition Series that will Debut in Four Exciting and Engaging Venues Across Los Angeles June 3 to September 2, 2012**

One of the highlights of the summer in 2012 within LA's artistic community will be the upcoming exhibition series, ***Made in L.A. 2012***. The **City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)** has partnered with the **Hammer Museum** and **LA><ART** to be a part of the first in an ongoing series of exhibitions that will be focused on artwork created in the Los Angeles region. The first series will take place at several locations across the city, including the Hammer Museum, **DCA's Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery** at Barnsdall Park, home to Frank Lloyd Wright's Hollyhock House, and at **LA><ART** from **June 3 to September 2, 2012**.

Building upon the tradition of the Hammer Invitational exhibitions, *Made in L.A. 2012* will feature roughly 60 artists. The Hammer Invitational exhibitions, which take place every two years, have included: *Snapshot* (2001), *International Paper* (2003), *Thing* (2005), *Eden's Edge* (2007), *Nine Lives* (2009), and *All of this and nothing* (2011). Unlike the Invitational exhibitions, however, *Made in L.A. 2012* will focus exclusively on artists from the L.A. region with an emphasis on emerging artists.

*Made in L.A. 2012* is organized by a team of curators including Hammer Senior Curator **Anne Ellegood**, Hammer Curator **Ali Subotnick**, LA><ART Director **Lauri Firstenberg**, LA><ART Associate Director and Senior Curator **Cesar Garcia**, and LA><ART Curator-at-Large **Malik Gaines**. The exhibition will debut new installations, videos, films, sculptures, performances, and paintings commissioned specifically for the exhibition, and will offer a snapshot of the current trends and practices emerging from Los Angeles, one of the most active and energetic art communities in the world.

The exhibition will take place in every gallery at the Hammer except for the Armand Hammer Collection galleries. This is the largest exhibition the Hammer has ever undertaken, and will continue to galvanize the creative communities of the city. DCA's Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery at Barnsdall Park is the primary location on the city's east side, and *Made in L.A. 2012* will also be on the beach at the **Venice Beach Biennial**, from **July 13 to 15, 2012**.

For this unconventional and slightly unpredictable project directed by Ali Subotnick, the Venice Beach boardwalk will become a readymade exhibition space inspired by



the Arsenale at the actual Venice Biennale in Italy. Over the course of the weekend, 40 to 50 artists will collaborate with boardwalk artists, creating new bodies of work, displaying site specific sculptures and/or installations, and presenting performances along the boardwalk. With the Venice Beach Biennial, this already vibrant scene will be transformed into a fantastic venue for contemporary artists to present their works to an expanded community of art lovers.

L.A. artists already approached to join in the fun include: **John Baldessari, Analia Saban, Doug Aitken, Sam Durant, Evan Holloway, Jason Meadows, Ana Prvacki, Pentti Monkkonen,** and **Liz Craft**, among others.

Wells Fargo is the Presenting Sponsor of *Made in L.A. 2012*.

**Venues for the *Made in L.A. 2012* Exhibition Series:**

**Hammer Museum**

10899 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90024  
310.443.7000

**DCA's Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery**

Barnsdall Park  
4800 Hollywood Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90027  
323.644.6269

**LA><Art**

2460 South La Cienega Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90034  
310.559.0166

**Venice Beach Biennial**

## **148 Leimert Park Book Festival**

The festival encourages reading, writing, and literacy in Los Angeles and greater Southern California area communities. Towards this goal, the Book Fair provides the community access to writers and their work.

WHEN: **June 30, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Leimert Park, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Leimert Park Book Festival Committee  
INFO: 323-730-0628, [www.leimertparkbookfair.com](http://www.leimertparkbookfair.com)

## **149 Cal Phil Festival on the Green – World Tour**

The California Philharmonic hosts its annual Festival on the Green concert series where music, food, and a great location combine into a magical blend unparalleled in Southern California. An engaging maestro, a world-class orchestra, and top soloists ensure enjoyment for all. Live jazz, dining, and family activities begin at 5:30 p.m.

WHEN: **June 30, 7:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Santa Anita Park, 285 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia  
COST: \$20 - \$98  
SPONSOR: California Philharmonic  
INFO: 626-300-8200, [www.calphil.org](http://www.calphil.org)

## **150 San Fernando Valley Buddhist Temple Obon Festival**

This is one of the largest Obon festivals in Southern California. The event includes taiko drum performances, Japanese Folk Dancing, ethnic foods, Japanese cultural displays, and games.

WHEN: **June 30 & July 1, 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: 12953 Brandford St., Pacoima  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: San Fernando Valley Hongwanji Buddhist Temple  
INFO: 818-899-4030, [www.sfvhbt.org](http://www.sfvhbt.org)

## **151 15th Annual Belize Caye Fest**

This musical event celebrates the customs and culture of the Belizean people. The sounds of enjoyment are balanced with Punta Rock, Brukdown, and Kungo music. Traditional Belizean arts and craft will on display. The event also includes workshops for children, Caribbean food, and drinks.

WHEN: **June 30 & July 1, Saturday 8:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m., Sunday 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Hollywood Park Casino, 3833 W. Century Blvd., Inglewood  
COST: \$30 Saturday, \$15 Sunday, Children under 10 Free  
SPONSOR: Belize Caye Fest Inc.  
INFO: 661-210-9132, [www.belizecayefest.com](http://www.belizecayefest.com)



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# JULY

## **152 Grand Performances Free 2012 Outdoor Concert Series**

Los Angeles' premiere free summer concert series celebrates the City's rich diversity through the performing arts. Grand Performances presents more than forty free noon and evening performing arts events in downtown Los Angeles' California Plaza.

WHEN: **July through August, Most shows begin at 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: 350 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Grand Performances  
INFO: 213-687-2190, [www.grandperformances.org](http://www.grandperformances.org)

## **153 New Original Works Festival**

New Original Works Festival encourages creative risk to bring new theater, dance, and music works to the stage. The festival focuses on Los Angeles-based artists.

WHEN: **Late July through early August, 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: REDCAT, 631 W. 2nd St., Los Angeles  
COST: Check website for prices  
SPONSOR: REDCAT  
INFO: 213-237-2800, [www.redcat.org](http://www.redcat.org)

## **154 Long Beach Municipal Band Concert Series**

The Long Beach Municipal Band is in its 103rd season, making it the longest surviving, municipally-supported band in the country. The annual summer concert series provides a chance for neighbors and families to gather outdoors for a relaxing evening of entertainment and music. You are welcome to bring your picnic basket, blankets, and lawn chairs.



Staff/Long Beach Parks, Recreation & Marine

WHEN: **July through August, 6:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Various parks located throughout the city  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation & Marine  
INFO: 562-570-3524, [www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)

## **155 Griffith Park Free Shakespeare Festival**

This is the largest summer theater festival, presented outdoors in a natural amphitheater in Griffith Park. There are 10-weeks of free performances, including *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *The Winter's Tale*, and *The Comedy of Errors*. Bring your family and a picnic.

WHEN: **July through September 2, Thursdays through Sundays, 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Old Zoo, Griffith Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Independent Shakespeare Co.  
INFO: 818-710-6303, [www.iscla.org](http://www.iscla.org)

## **156 Movies in the Park**

The movies and popcorn are free – time spent with family and friends – priceless! Movies begin at dusk. Bring a lawn chair, blanket, a picnic basket, and the whole family. Check website for movie and park location information.

**WHEN:** July through early September, Various times

**SITE:** Various park located throughout the city

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine, Signal Hill Petroleum, Partners of Parks

**INFO:** 562-570-3150, [www.lbparcs.org](http://www.lbparcs.org)



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## **157 80th Annual Long Beach Sea Festival**

Dozens of activities are scheduled at beach areas, pools and parks throughout Long Beach, including the Chinese Dragon Boat Race and the Great Sand Sculpture event. There are aquatic events for the entire family!

**WHEN:** July through mid-September, Various times

**SITE:** Beaches, pools, and parks in the Long Beach area

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine

**INFO:** 562-426-7670, [www.lbparcs.org](http://www.lbparcs.org)



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## **158 Hollywood Bowl**

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**WHEN:** July through September, varies times

**SITE:** Hollywood Bowl, 2301 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood

**COST:** Varies

**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Philharmonic

**INFO:** 323-850-2000, [www.hollywoodbowl.com](http://www.hollywoodbowl.com)

## **159 2012 Summer Concert Season at Levitt Pavilion - MacArthur Park**

Located in MacArthur Park, the Levitt Pavilion offers fifty concerts this summer, featuring internationally recognized musicians and critically acclaimed performers. Enjoy music from around the world and across America with family and friends!

**WHEN:** July through beginning of September, Wednesdays through Saturdays 7:30 p.m., Sundays 6:30 p.m.

**SITE:** Levitt Pavilion, West 6th st., and South Park View St., Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** The Friends of the Levitt Pavilion – MacArthur Park

**INFO:** [www.levittla.org](http://www.levittla.org)

## **160 Ford Amphitheatre 2012 Summer Season**

This season the historic Ford Amphitheatre presents more than one hundred jazz, world music, dance, theater, film, choral events, and family shows in a 1,200-seat outdoor amphitheatre. Food and beverages are available for purchase on site.

WHEN: **July through October, time varies by performance**  
SITE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: Prices vary, call for information.  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
INFO: 323-461-3673, [www.fordamphitheatre.org](http://www.fordamphitheatre.org)

## **161 Theatricum Botanicum 2012 Summer Repertory Season**

Join the annual summer season of Shakespeare and the classics set in a rustic, outdoor amphitheatre located in a natural canyon ravine. Picnickers are welcome.

WHEN: **July through October, Various times, please call for schedule**  
SITE: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum, 1419 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga  
COST: \$10 - \$35 Adults, \$5 Children, 5 and under free  
SPONSOR: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
INFO: 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

## **162 Concerts on the Green**

Since 1975, the Valley Cultural Center has presented a series of free "Concerts on the Green" during the summer. Organized to enrich the lives of Valley residents, these concerts feature top pop, jazz, classical, folk, and world music performances every Sunday afternoon at Warner Park.

WHEN: **July 1, 15, 22, 29, 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Valley Cultural Center, Wells Fargo  
INFO: 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

## **163 4th of July Street Fair**

This popular annual event attracts up to 50,000 people to Downtown Ventura and features 300 artisans, food booths, nonprofit organization displays, and four stages of continuous live entertainment.

WHEN: **July 4, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Ventura Cultural District  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Ventura Cultural Affairs Division  
INFO: 805-654-7749, [www.cityofventura.net/streetfairs](http://www.cityofventura.net/streetfairs)

## **164 4th of July Celebration at Hansen Dam**

A holiday celebration in the San Fernando Valley featuring music and other live entertainment, food, and fireworks. Booths offer information about safety, health, community resources, and more. Come take a swim in the 1.5-acre swim lake available for use during the day. Attendees are encouraged to bring a picnic.

WHEN: **July 4, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Hansen Dam Recreation Area, 11770 Foothill Blvd., Lake View Terrace  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 818-899-8087, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **165 Annual Vision Outside 4th of July Jazz and Blues Festival**

Come celebrate the 4th of July at the Vision Theatre in Leimert Park with the rich cultural heritage of the diverse sounds of jazz and blues. There will also be children's arts and crafts, face painting, delicious food available, and free watermelon.

WHEN: **July 4, 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Vision Theatre back lot, 3341 W. 43rd Pl., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs & Council District 8  
INFO: 213-202-5500, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **166 Fourth of July**

The day will feature entertainment, food, fireworks, and fun for the entire family. Patriotic activities include children's crafts and music by the Monterey Park Concert band.

WHEN: **July 4, 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival  
INFO: 626-307-1388, [www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us](http://www.ci.monterey-park.ca.us)

## **167 Annual 4th of July Community Fireworks Festival**

Held on the CBS Studios back lot, this is a fun-filled family festival featuring exhibits, music, food, fireworks, a children's fun zone, and a business exposition.

WHEN: **July 4, 4:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**  
SITE: CBS Studio Center, 4024 Radford Ave., Studio City of Los Angeles  
COST: Call for cost  
SPONSOR: Studio City Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-655-5916, [www.studiocitychamber.com](http://www.studiocitychamber.com)

## **168 City of Diamond Bar's Annual 4th of July Blast**

Spend the summer afternoon at the park with family, friends, and neighbors. Bring a picnic or enjoy a variety of concessions available. Kids' crafts, face painting, and patriotic musical performances lead up to a spectacular fireworks display. A great way to celebrate Independence Day!

WHEN: **July 4, 5:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Diamond Bar High School, 21400 Pathfinder Rd., Diamond Bar  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Diamond Bar  
INFO: 909-839-7070, [www.cityofdiamondbar.com](http://www.cityofdiamondbar.com)

## **169 Dennis P. Zine July 4th Extravaganza**

Fourth of July fireworks have returned to the West Valley! With the largest attendance of any 4th of July celebration in the San Fernando Valley, this Extravaganza provides an audience of 40,000 people with a free concert and fireworks show. Come and get up close and personal with the biggest event in the valley.

WHEN: **July 4, 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Valley Cultural Center  
INFO: 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

## **170 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **July 5, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **171 Sizziling Summer Nights**

Thursday nights in the summertime are filled with the scintillating sounds of mambo, son, charanga, and Afro-Cuban beats. See top Latin bands in a fun, casual, energetic setting on the Autry Plaza.

WHEN: **July 5, 12, 19, 26, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Autry National Center,  
4700 Western Heritage Way, Los Angeles  
COST: \$10 Adults, \$6 Students with ID and Seniors,  
\$4 Children (3 - 12), Free Autry Members  
INFO: 323-667-2000, [www.theautry.org](http://www.theautry.org)

## **172 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **July 7, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **173 25th Annual Old Fort MacArthur Days and Artillery Show**

The history of war and other conflicts will be brought to life through battle re-enactments, cooking demonstrations, exhibits of memorabilia, and more, with encampments portraying every occurrence of American military involvement from the Revolutionary War to Vietnam. See how soldiers survived the elements, the kinds of weapons and other equipment they employed, what they ate, and how they passed the time going as far back as the Roman Empire era.

WHEN: **July 7 & 8, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Fort MacArthur Military Museum, Angels Gate Park,  
3601 S. Gaffey St., San Pedro  
COST: \$15  
SPONSOR: Fort MacArthur Museum, City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-2631, [www.ftmac.org](http://www.ftmac.org)

## **174 Music Under the Stars**

Enjoy a different band every Saturday night and bring your own food and beverage. Concerts will be held in the historic Olivas Adobe Courtyard. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. for dinning.

WHEN: **July 7, 14, 21, 28, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Olivas Adobe Courtyard, 4200 Olivas Park Dr., Ventura  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: City of Ventura  
INFO: 805-658-4726, [www.cityofventura.net](http://www.cityofventura.net)

### **175 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **July 12, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

### **176 OUTFEST 2012: The 30th Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Film Festival**

OUTFEST is the oldest continuous film festival in Southern California and the region's largest gay and lesbian arts event, featuring more than 4,500 films and videos. Since its founding in 1982, OUTFEST has screened more than 4,000 highly diverse films and videos for an audience of more than half a million people.

WHEN: **July 12 - 22, call for times**  
SITE: The Directors Guild of America, 7920 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Special events and various locations  
COST: \$13 - \$150  
SPONSOR: HBO, Absolut  
INFO: 213-480-7088, [www.outfest.org](http://www.outfest.org)

### **177 Family Sandcastle Building Day**

Bring your entire family out to Cabrillo Beach and enjoy a day playing in the sand. All you need is a bucket, a shovel, and your imagination. Great fun for all ages!

WHEN: **July 14, 11a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

### **178 Movies on the Green**

Enjoy movies under the stars at Warner Park on a 30-foot screen with digital projection and surround sound. In addition enjoy affordable food and drinks provided by local organizations.

WHEN: **July 14, 21, 28, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Valley Cultural Center  
INFO: 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)





### **179 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **July 14 & 28, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

### **180 Cal Phil Festival on the Green**

The California Philharmonic hosts its annual Festival on the Green concert series where music, food, and a great location combine into a magical blend unparalleled in Southern California. An engaging maestro, a world-class orchestra, and top soloists ensure enjoyment for all. Live jazz, dining, and family activities begin at 5:30 p.m.

WHEN: **July 14 & 28, 7:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Santa Anita Park, 285 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia  
COST: \$20 - \$98  
SPONSOR: California Philharmonic  
INFO: 626-300-8200, [www.calphil.org](http://www.calphil.org)

### **181 Pershing Square Summer Concert Series**

From July to September, enjoy this series of free concerts at Pershing Square, an outdoor area in the heart of downtown, featuring a variety of musical genres and performers. Come relax on the grass areas or sit at one of the tables with umbrellas and enjoy a weekday lunchtime show, an evening swing, or a monthly Sunday afternoon performance.

WHEN: **July 14 through August 18, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m., the third Sunday of each month from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays nights**  
SITE: Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 1-888 LA-PARKS (527-2757), [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **182 2012 Bastille Day LA Festival**

The 11th annual official Bastille Day LA Festival will be celebrated in the heart of Los Angeles with French gastronomic delicacies and spectacular live entertainment. Come join and experience what thousands of people have been enjoying for the past eight years, making this annual celebration one of the most well-attended community festivals in Los Angeles.

WHEN: **July 15, 12:00 noon – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: To Be Announced  
COST: \$5, Free for children under 13  
SPONSOR: Bastille Day Committee  
INFO: 323-656-6083, [www.bastilledaylosangeles.com](http://www.bastilledaylosangeles.com)

### **183 Homeland DanceFest 2012**

DanceFest is an annual showcase of the diverse performing ensembles in residence at the award-winning Homeland Cultural Center in Long Beach's MacArthur Park.

**WHEN:** July 15, 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Center Theater/Long Beach Performing Arts Center, 300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach  
**COST:** Tickets are free and are required for the event  
**SPONSOR:** Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine  
**INFO:** 562-570-3189, [www.labparks.org](http://www.labparks.org)



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### **184 15th Annual iPalpiti Festival of International Laureates**

The 15th annual festival brings 28 prize winning artists from 20 countries. The event includes concerts in prestigious venues and culminates in a grand-finale by I Palpiti Orchestra conducted by maestro Eduard Schmieder.

**WHEN:** July 15 - 29, Various times  
**SITE:** Walt Disney Concert Hall (final concert) and other venues  
**COST:** \$20 - \$90  
**SPONSOR:** iPalpiti Artists International, Inc.  
**INFO:** 310-205-0511, [www.ipalpiti.org](http://www.ipalpiti.org)

### **185 2nd Annual ARTrageous Art Walk**

This family-oriented event features musicians, artists, vendors, and food trucks through the streets of Historic Downtown Canoga Park.

**WHEN:** July 19, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Sherman Way between Canoga and Topanga, Downtown Canoga Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Canoga Park Improvement Association, Canoga Park Centennial Celebration, City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
**INFO:** 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkcal.com](http://www.canogaparkcal.com)

### **186 2012 BloomfestLA**

Enjoy indie music, arts and crafts, good food, street art, and eco-friendly fun at BloomfestLA. Named in honor of community activist Joel Bloom (1948-2007), this free community festival celebrates all things a'bloomin' in the Downtown Arts District, where art in the streets happens every day.

**WHEN:** July 21, 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Arts District of Downtown Los Angeles, 3rd St. and Traction Ave.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles River Artist & Business Association, CauseConnect  
**INFO:** 213-446-3467, [www.bloomfestla.com](http://www.bloomfestla.com)

### **187 Fusion: The Los Angeles LGBT People of Color Film Festival**

This is the only multi-cultural, gender-inclusive people of color film festival.

**WHEN:** July 21 & 22, Various times  
**SITE:** The Egyptian Theatre, 6712 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood  
**COST:** \$10  
**SPONSOR:** Outfest  
**INFO:** 213-480-7088, [www.outfest.org](http://www.outfest.org)

## **188 An Afternoon of Jazz**

During the past few years, Angelus Plaza has presented some of the best names in the business including Harold Land, Billy Higgins, George Bohanon, and Herman Riley, among others. The bandstand will sizzle, so be sure to bring a friend.

**WHEN:** July 27, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Angelus Plaza, 4th floor Auditorium,  
255 S. Hill St., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Angelus Plaza  
**INFO:** 213-623-4352 x317

## **189 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

**WHEN:** July 27, 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
**SPONSOR:** Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
**INFO:** 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **190 Day of the Cowboy & Cowgirl**

Pay tribute to American cowboy and cowgirl culture by joining the museum for a full day of activities! Visitors of all ages are encouraged to dress up in cowboy and cowgirl Western gear.

**WHEN:** July 28,  
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Autry National  
Center, 4700 Western  
Heritage Way,  
Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$10 Adults, \$6 Students  
with ID and Seniors, \$4 Children (3 - 12), Free Autry Members  
**INFO:** 323-667-2000, [www.theautry.org](http://www.theautry.org)



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## **191 Central Avenue Jazz Festival**

Two days of jazz performances pay tribute to “The Avenue,” as Central Avenue was known during its renaissance years from the 1920s through the 1950s. Ethnic cuisine and arts and crafts are available for sale, and educational booths provide community information.

**WHEN:** July 28 & 29, Saturday 11 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 12:00 noon – 7:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Central Ave. between 42nd and 43rd Sts.,  
around the historic Dunbar Hotel, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs,  
Ninth Council District  
**INFO:** 213-202-5500, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **192 2012 Target Feria de la Familia**

Enjoy Latino music, dance, art activities, storytelling, and more for the entire family at Plaza de la Raza. This free community event also features folklórico dancing, and mariachi music by Plaza’s award-winning youth and adult performers.

**WHEN:** July 29, 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Plaza de la Raza, 3540 N. Misión Rd., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Plaza de la Raza  
**INFO:** 323-223-2475, ext. 204, [www.plazadelaraza.org](http://www.plazadelaraza.org)

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**SITE:** Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St. Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 1-888-527-2757, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **194 Grand Performances Free 2012 Outdoor Concert Series**

Los Angeles' premiere free summer concert series celebrates the City's rich diversity through the performing arts. Grand Performances presents more than forty free noon and evening performing arts events in downtown Los Angeles' California Plaza.

**WHEN:** Through August, Most shows begin at 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** 350 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Grand Performances  
**INFO:** 213-687-2190, [www.grandperformances.org](http://www.grandperformances.org)

## **195 Long Beach Municipal Band Concert Series**

The Long Beach Municipal Band is in its 103rd season, making it the longest surviving, municipally-supported band in the country. The annual summer concert series provides a chance for neighbors and families to gather outdoors for a relaxing evening of entertainment and music. You are welcome to bring your picnic basket, blankets, and lawn chairs.



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**WHEN:** Through August, 6:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Various parks located throughout the city  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation & Marine  
**INFO:** 562-570-3524, [www.lbparks.org](http://www.lbparks.org)

## **196 Griffith Park Free Shakespeare Festival**

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**WHEN:** August through September 2, Thursdays through Sundays 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Old Zoo, Griffith Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Independent Shakespeare Co.  
**INFO:** 818-710-6303, [www.iscla.org](http://www.iscla.org)

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**WHEN:** August through early September, Various times

**SITE:** Various park located throughout the city

**COST:** Free

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**INFO:** 562-570-3150, [www.lbparcs.org](http://www.lbparcs.org)



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**WHEN:** August through mid-September, Various times

**SITE:** Beaches, pools, and parks in the Long Beach area

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine

**INFO:** 562-426-7670, [www.lbparcs.org](http://www.lbparcs.org)

## **199 Hollywood Bowl**

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**WHEN:** August through September, varies times

**SITE:** Hollywood Bowl, 2301 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood

**COST:** Varies

**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles Philharmonic

**INFO:** 323-850-2000, [www.hollywoodbowl.com](http://www.hollywoodbowl.com)

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**SITE:** Levitt Pavilion, West 6th st., and South Park View St., Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** The Friends of the Levitt Pavilion — MacArthur Park

**INFO:** [www.levittla.org](http://www.levittla.org)

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**WHEN:** August through October, time varies by performance  
**SITE:** Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood  
**COST:** Prices vary, call for information.  
**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
**INFO:** 323-461-3673, [www.fordamphitheatre.org](http://www.fordamphitheatre.org)

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Join the annual summer season of Shakespeare and the classics set in a rustic, outdoor amphitheatre located in a natural canyon ravine. Picnickers are welcome.

**WHEN:** August through October, Various times, please call for schedule  
**SITE:** Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum, 1419 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga  
**COST:** \$10 - \$32 Adults, \$5 Children, 5 and under free  
**SPONSOR:** Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
**INFO:** 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

## **203 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

**WHEN:** August 2, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **204 Sizziling Summer Nights**

Thursday nights in the summertime are filled with the scintillating sounds of mambo, son, charanga, and Afro-Cuban beats. See top Latin bands in a fun, casual, energetic setting on the Autry Plaza.

**WHEN:** August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Autry National Center, 4700 Western Heritage Wy., Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$10 Adults, \$6 Students with ID and Seniors, \$4 Children (3 - 12), Free Autry Members  
**INFO:** 323-667-2000, [www.theautry.org](http://www.theautry.org)



Danielle Kiebanow

## **205 XVI Feria Agostina de Los Angeles**

This cultural event celebrates the heritage of the Central American community in Southern California. The festival provides important information about health, legal, financial and community services to the working families of the First District of the city and also features live performances from musical groups of diverse communities.



**WHEN:** August 3 - 5, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** MacArthur Park, W. 6th St., and S. Park View St., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** El Rescate  
**INFO:** 213-387-3284 x23, [www.feriaagostina.org](http://www.feriaagostina.org)

## **206 24th Annual Taste in San Pedro**

Feel the ocean breezes while sampling food from over 30 local restaurants, wineries and breweries. Listen to nonstop stage entertainment, and enjoy an array of classic cars and artisans. Kids may frolic in the children's area and enjoy face painting, the Ferris Wheel, and a rock climbing wall.

**WHEN:** August 3 - 5, Friday 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Harbor Blvd. Promenade & Berth 87, Los Angeles Harbor, San Pedro  
**COST:** \$10  
**SPONSOR:** Port of Los Angeles & San Pedro Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** 310-732-3508, [www.tasteinsanpedro.com](http://www.tasteinsanpedro.com)

## **207 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

**WHEN:** August 4, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** Chinatown Business Improvement District  
**INFO:** 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **208 Music Under the Stars**

Enjoy a different band every Saturday night and bring your own food and beverage. Concerts will be held in the historic Olivas Adobe Courtyard. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. for dinning.

**WHEN:** August 4, 11, 18, 25, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Olivas Adobe Courtyard, 4200 Olivas Park Dr., Ventura  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** City of Ventura  
**INFO:** 805-658-4726, [www.cityofventura.net](http://www.cityofventura.net)

## **209** Movies on the Green

Enjoy movies under the stars at Warner Park on a 30-foot screen with digital projection and surround sound. In addition enjoy affordable food and drinks provided by local organizations.

**WHEN:** August 4, 11, 18, 25, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Valley Cultural Center  
**INFO:** 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

## **210** Jazz on the Lawn

Bring a picnic, blanket, and beach chair, and enjoy great live music at the annual concert series in front of Santa Monica City Hall.

**WHEN:** August 5, 12, 19, 26, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Santa Monica City Hall Lawn, 1685 Main St., Santa Monica  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs Division  
**INFO:** 310-458-8350, [www.smgov.net/jazz](http://www.smgov.net/jazz)



Allison Ostrovsky

## **211** Concerts on the Green

Since 1975, the Valley Cultural Center has presented a series of free “Concerts on the Green” during the summer. Organized to enrich the lives of Valley residents, these concerts feature top pop, jazz, classical, folk, and world music performances every Sunday afternoon at Warner Park.

**WHEN:** August 5, 12, 19, 26, 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Warner Park, 5800 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Woodland Hills  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Valley Cultural Center, Wells Fargo  
**INFO:** 818-704-3456, [www.valleycultural.org](http://www.valleycultural.org)

## **212** Downtown Art Walk

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

**WHEN:** August 9, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Gallery Row Organization  
**INFO:** [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)



## **213 25th Annual Long Beach Jazz Festival**

The festival takes place at the lovely seaside setting of Rainbow Lagoon Park, in Long Beach. This three-day extravaganza includes some of the top artists of the year, great selection of food, art, and much more.

WHEN: **August 10 - 12, 12:00 noon – 10:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Rainbow Lagoon Park, Long Beach  
COST: \$45 - \$180  
SPONSOR: Budweiser  
INFO: 562-424-0013, [longbeachjazzfestival.com](http://longbeachjazzfestival.com)

## **214 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **August 11 & 25, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **215 Cal Phil Festival on the Green**

The California Philharmonic hosts its annual Festival on the Green concert series where music, food, and a great location combine into a magical blend unparalleled in Southern California. An engaging maestro, a world-class orchestra, and top soloists ensure enjoyment for all. Live jazz, dining, and family activities begin at 5:30 p.m.

WHEN: **August 11 & 25, 7:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Santa Anita Park, 285 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia  
COST: \$20 - \$98  
SPONSOR: California Philharmonic  
INFO: 626-300-8200, [www.calphil.org](http://www.calphil.org)

## **216 72nd Annual Nisei Week Japanese Festival**

Los Angeles' oldest ethnic festival celebrates community cultural diversity. Some of the major events include the Queen Coronation, Grand Parade, Taiko Drum Gathering, Tofu Festival, and a car show.

WHEN: **August 11 - 19, weeklong festival**  
SITE: Little Tokyo, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Majority of events are free  
SPONSOR: Nisei Week Foundation  
INFO: 213-687-7193, [www.niseiweek.org](http://www.niseiweek.org)

## **217 The Children's Festival of the Arts**

An event dedicated to art, children, and the community. This free event offers cultural arts performances, music, and activities for children of all ages.

WHEN: **August 12, 12:00 noon – 4:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Paramount Pictures, 5555 Melrose Ave., Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The Hollywood Arts Council  
INFO: 323-661-7200, [www.hollywoodartscouncil.org](http://www.hollywoodartscouncil.org)

## **218 2nd Annual ARTrageous Art Walk**

This family-oriented event features musicians, artists, vendors, and food trucks through the streets of Historic Downtown Canoga Park.

**WHEN:** August 16, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Sherman Way between Canoga and Topanga,  
Downtown Canoga Park  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Canoga Park Improvement Association, Canoga Park  
Centennial Celebration, City of Los Angeles Department of  
Cultural Affairs  
**INFO:** 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkcal.com](http://www.canogaparkcal.com)

## **219 25th Annual African Marketplace and Cultural Faire**

The event will feature music, dance, fine art, spoken word, food and more than 15 African Diaspora concerts and festivals. This year there will be workshops and forums on building a global economy between African American, Africa, and the African diaspora.

**WHEN:** Opening Gala August 17, Event dates August 18 - 19,  
24 - 26, 31, and September 1 - 3, 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** To Be Announced  
**COST:** \$8  
**SPONSOR:** Maximizing Human Potential  
**INFO:** 323-293-1612, [www.africanmarketplace.net](http://www.africanmarketplace.net)

## **220 Robotic by the Sea**

Bring your entire family and join the crew at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium to learn about underwater robotics. Witness R.O.V.(Remotely Operated Vehicles) demonstrations and much more.

**WHEN:** August 18, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **221 Mud Mania: A Celebration of Adobe**

This is the muddiest and wackiest event in Southern California! Visit Rancho Los Cerritos and learn about local “adobe” soil and its many uses throughout history. Guests will make real adobe bricks, plaster a wall with mud, construct a mini-adobe home, compete in mud relay races, and much more.

**WHEN:** August 19,  
12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site,  
4600 N. Virginia Rd., Long Beach  
**COST:** \$6 Adults, \$4 Children ages 3 - 12  
**SPONSOR:** Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site, City of Long Beach  
Department of Parks, Recreation, and Marine & Friends of  
Rancho Los Cerritos  
**INFO:** 562-570-1755, [www.rancholoscerritos.org](http://www.rancholoscerritos.org)



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## **222 11th Annual Senior Talent Show**

Since 1999, this annual event has risen in popularity to become one of the brightest jewels of our calendar. Categories include dance, vocal, instrumental, comedy, drama, magic, and much more. Gifted performers throughout greater Los Angeles will compete for \$1,500 in prizes.

WHEN: **August 24, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Angelus Plaza, 255 S. Hill St., 4th Floor Auditorium, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Good Samaritan Hospital & Angelus Plaza  
INFO: 213-623-4352 x317

## **223 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **August 31, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

# SEPTEMBER

## **224 Latino Heritage Month Celebrations**

Latino Heritage Month is a citywide commemoration of Latino history, heritage, and tradition in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Latino contributions in the areas of education, religion, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include: community gatherings, educational programs, gallery exhibits, and several music, theater, and dance performances.

WHEN: **September through October**  
SITE: Various sites through Los Angeles  
COST: Varies  
SPONSORS: The City of Los Angeles, Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
INFO: [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **225 2012 Summer Concert Season at Levitt Pavilion - MacArthur Park**

Located in MacArthur Park, the Levitt Pavilion offers fifty concerts this summer, featuring internationally recognized musicians and critically acclaimed performers. Enjoy music from around the world and across America with family and friends!

WHEN: **Through beginning of September, Wednesdays through Saturdays 7:30 p.m., Sundays 6:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Levitt Pavilion, West 6th St., and South Park View St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The Friends of the Levitt Pavilion – MacArthur Park  
INFO: [www.levittla.org](http://www.levittla.org)

## **226 Hollywood Bowl**

The Hollywood Bowl is the summer venue for the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Nearly 80 concerts are presented during the twelve-week summer festival each year, including orchestral, jazz, popular, and world music.

WHEN: **Through September, varies times**  
SITE: Hollywood Bowl, 2301 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood  
COST: Varies  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Philharmonic  
INFO: 323-850-2000, [www.hollywoodbowl.com](http://www.hollywoodbowl.com)

## **227 Ford Amphitheatre 2012 Summer Season**

This season the historic Ford Amphitheatre presents more than one hundred jazz, world music, dance, theater, film, choral events, and family shows in a 1,200-seat outdoor amphitheatre. Food and beverages are available for purchase on site.

WHEN: **September through October, time varies by performance**  
SITE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: Prices vary, call for information.  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
INFO: 323-461-3673, [www.fordamphitheatre.org](http://www.fordamphitheatre.org)

## **228 Theatricum Botanicum 2012 Summer Repertory Season**

Join the annual summer season of Shakespeare and the classics set in a rustic, outdoor amphitheatre located in a natural canyon ravine. Picnickers are welcome.

WHEN: **September through October, Various times, please call for schedule**  
SITE: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum, 1419 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., Topanga  
COST: Adults \$10 - \$32, Children 5 and under free  
SPONSOR: Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum  
INFO: 310-455-3723, [www.theatricum.com](http://www.theatricum.com)

## **229 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

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WHEN: **September 1, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

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SITE: To Be Announced  
COST: \$8  
SPONSOR: Maximizing Human Potential  
INFO: 323-293-1612, [www.africanmarketplace.net](http://www.africanmarketplace.net)

## **231 Fiesta Hermosa**

For the past 40 years, the Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce has produced Fiesta Hermosa, the largest arts and crafts fair in Southern California. Over 270 artists are featured, including painters, photographers, ceramicists, jewelers, sculptors, and handcrafters. With the ocean as a backdrop, the festival takes place every Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekend in downtown Hermosa Beach.



WHEN: **September 1 - 3, Check website for times**  
SITE: Downtown Hermosa Beach  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.hbchamber.net](http://www.hbchamber.net)

## **232 Annual Los Angeles County Fair**

At the granddaddy of all Southland county fairs, Los Angeles County will celebrate its annual fair with carnival rides and games that will flank the midway. Traditional exhibits that delve into fair mainstays such as education, art, horticulture, agriculture, and livestock will be displayed as well.

**WHEN:** September 1 - 30, Wednesdays and Thursdays  
11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays,  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 midnight, Sundays, 10:00 a.m. –  
10:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley, Pomona

**COST:** Various

**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles County Fair

**INFO:** 909-623-3111, [www.lacountyfair.com](http://www.lacountyfair.com)

## **233 Los Angeles City Birthday Celebration**

Celebrate the 231st anniversary of the founding of Los Angeles. The event includes a walk from San Gabriel Mission to Los Angeles, historic re-enactments, artisan demonstrations, exhibits, food, entertainment, and plenty of birthday cake.

**WHEN:** September 3, 6:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** El Pueblo Historical Monument

**INFO:** 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

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**WHEN:** September 6, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce

**INFO:** [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **235 L.A. Greek Fest**

The annual L.A. Greek Fest is held on the Grand Plaza of the St. Sophia Cathedral located in the Byzantine-Latino Quarter of Los Angeles. This event is L.A.'s premier Greek festival featuring the best of Greek foods, pastries, music, and folk dancing along with exotic gifts and arts and craft booths.

**WHEN:** September 7 - 9, Friday 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Saturday  
1:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Sunday 12:00 noon – 10:00 p.m.

**SITE:** 1324 S. Normandie Ave. and Pico Blvd., Los Angeles

**COST:** Friday Free, \$5 Adults, Kids under 12 Free

**SPONSOR:** St. Sophia Cathedral

**INFO:** 323-737-2424, [www.LAGreekFest.com](http://www.LAGreekFest.com)

## **236 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **September 8 & 29, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **237 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **September 13, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **238 LA Korean Festival**

The festival provides an opportunity for the young Korean second generations to appreciate their culture and traditions, and allows people to come together and share each other's culture. The event includes Korean music, traditional dancers, live concerts, and more than 300 booths with traditional food and general merchandise.

WHEN: **September 13 - 16, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: 3250 San Marino St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: LA Korean Festival  
INFO: 213-487-9696, [www.lakoreanfestival.com](http://www.lakoreanfestival.com)

## **239 Port of Los Angeles Lobster Festival**

Enjoy a weekend of fun and fine food on the waterfront in historic San Pedro. The Port of Los Angeles Lobster Festival features world-famous discount lobster meals, rides, games, the annual lobster pet parade, and non-stop entertainment. Come for the feast and stay for the fun.

WHEN: **September 14 - 16, Friday 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Ports O'Call Village, San Pedro  
COST: \$10  
SPONSOR: The Port of Los Angeles  
INFO: 310-798-7478, [www.lobsterfest.com](http://www.lobsterfest.com)

## **240 9th Annual Activist Film Festival & Activist Awards**

This festival screens and honors films that are activist in nature. The event also serves as a forum for filmmakers, artists, and musicians who use their work to create a global social consciousness, specifically in the arenas of environmental awareness, animal rights, human rights, and children's advocacy.

WHEN: **September 14 - 16, Various times**  
SITE: The Egyptian Theatre, 6712 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The Activist Collective  
INFO: 310-717-1222, [www.activists.org](http://www.activists.org)

## **241 El Grito**

Come bring your family and friends and enjoy the biggest celebration of El Grito de Independencia in Los Angeles with music, carnival, food, and live entertainment.

**WHEN:** September 15, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** All Access Entertainment

**INFO:** 310-914-0015, [www.allaccess.la](http://www.allaccess.la)

## **242 Mexican Independence Day**

This is a colorful celebration of the Mexican Independence from Spain with popular and traditional entertainment, cultural activities, historic displays, food, artisan exhibits, and much more.

**WHEN:** September 15 & 16, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** El Pueblo Historical Monument

**INFO:** 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **243 20th Annual Thai Cultural Day**

This one-day festival is comprised of Thai classical music, folk dances, fruit and vegetable carving, a costume contest, children's workshops, and Thai drama performances.

**WHEN:** September 16, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Barnsdall Art Park, 4800 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Thai Community Arts and Cultural Center

**INFO:** 310-650-1531, [www.thaiculturalcenter.org/events.html](http://www.thaiculturalcenter.org/events.html)

## **244 2nd Annual ARTrageous Art Walk**

This family-oriented event features musicians, artists, vendors, and food trucks through the streets of Historic Downtown Canoga Park.

**WHEN:** September 20, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Sherman Way between Canoga and Topanga,  
Downtown Canoga Park

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Canoga Park Improvement Association, Canoga Park  
Centennial Celebration, City of Los Angeles Department of  
Cultural Affairs

**INFO:** 818-884-4222, [www.canogaparkcal.com](http://www.canogaparkcal.com)

## **245 Latin American Heritage Celebration**

This colorful spectacle showcases Mariachi bands, folk ensembles and music from Mexico, Cuba, Central, and South America.

**WHEN:** September 21, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Angelus Plaza, 255 S. Hill St., 4th Floor Auditorium,  
Downtown Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Angelus Plaza

**INFO:** 213-623-4352 x317

## **246 Redondo Beach Lobster Festival**

This is an annual three-day event filled with arts and crafts, food vendors, live music, and delicious lobster dinners.

**WHEN:** September 21 - 23, Check website for times

**SITE:** Seaside Lagoon, Redondo Beach

**COST:** Check website for tickets

**SPONSOR:** Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, Visitors Bureau

**INFO:** 310-376-6911, [www.lobsterfestival.com](http://www.lobsterfestival.com)

## **247 Moompetam: Native American Festival**

In celebration of local Native American cultures, the Aquarium of the Pacific will host its eighth annual Moompetam Festival, featuring traditional music, dance, cultural craft demonstrations, storytelling, and educational programs. The festival will celebrate California's indigenous maritime cultures, including Tongva, Chumash, Acjachemen, Costanoan, Luiseno, and Kumeyaay.

**WHEN:** September 22 & 23,  
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific,  
100 Aquarium Way,  
Long Beach

**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95  
Seniors, \$13.95 Children  
(3 -11), Free children under  
3 and Aquarium members

**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific

**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)



Aquarium of the Pacific

## **248 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

**WHEN:** September 28, 8:00 p.m.

**SITE:** The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles

**COST:** \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale

**SPONSOR:** Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)

**INFO:** 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **249 St. Bridget School - Fall Festival**

This is a family-oriented event, featuring carnival rides, games, raffle prizes, music, and delicious food.

**WHEN:** September 28 - 30, Friday 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.,  
Saturday and Sunday 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

**SITE:** 7120 Whitaker Ave., Van Nuys

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** St. Bridget of Sweden School

**INFO:** 818-785-4422

## **250 131st Annual Watts Towers Day of the Drum Festival**

A daylong celebration featuring international percussion: Latin, Japanese, African, Jazz, Native American, and other drummers. Ongoing tours of the Watts Towers are available.

**WHEN:** September 29, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Watts Towers Campus, 1727 E. 107th St., Watts

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs and  
Watts Towers Arts Center

**INFO:** 213-847-4646, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)



## **251 Baja Splash Cultural Festival**

Celebrate Latino Heritage Month at the Aquarium's eleventh annual Baja Splash Festival. Witness ancient Aztec dance and folk dances from Mexico, El Salvador, Panama, and beyond. Enjoy interactive music, mariachis, crafts, and Latin cuisine. See Baja animals, and learn about the amazing marine environments of Baja with experts from Mexico.



Aquarium of the Pacific

**WHEN:** September 29 & 30, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11), Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific  
**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

## **252 2012 Abbot Kinney Festival**

The largest community festival in Southern California is eco-chic, boasting nearly 400 arts and crafts exhibitors, KidsQuad, gourmet food trucks, Whole Foods Market Green Scene, and live music on three stages.

**WHEN:** September 30, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Abbot Kinney Blvd. between Venice Blvd. and Main St., Venice  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Abbot Kinney Festival Association  
**INFO:** 310-396-3772, [www.abbotkinney.org](http://www.abbotkinney.org)

## **253 36th Annual Simon Rodia Watts Towers Jazz Festival**

The City's first Jazz festival features performances from both established and emerging musicians from the area. The festival pays tribute to the roots of Jazz in Gospel and Blues, and takes it to the Avant Garde and the Latin Jazz scene. Ongoing tours of the Watts Towers are available.

**WHEN:** September 30, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Watts Towers Campus, 1727 E. 107th St., Watts  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs and Watts Towers Arts Center  
**INFO:** 213-847-4646, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

# OCTOBER

## **254 Native American Indian Heritage Month Celebrations**

This is a citywide commemoration of Native American Indian history, heritage, and tradition in Los Angeles. The celebration will acknowledge Native American Indian contributions in the areas of education, religion, the arts, culture, and the humanities. Events include: community gatherings, educational programs, gallery exhibits, and several music, theater, and dance performances.

WHEN: **Through October**  
SITE: Various sites throughout Los Angeles  
COST: Varies  
SPONSORS: The City of Los Angeles, Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
INFO: [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **255 Ford Amphitheatre 2012 Summer Season**

This season the historic Ford Amphitheatre presents more than one hundred jazz, world music, dance, theater, film, choral events, and family shows in a 1,200-seat outdoor amphitheatre. Food and beverages are available for purchase on site.

WHEN: **Through October, time varies by performance**  
SITE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 E. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood  
COST: Prices vary, call for information.  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
INFO: 323-461-3673, [www.fordamphitheatre.org](http://www.fordamphitheatre.org)

## **256 Mar Vista Community Fall Festival**

The event includes community entertainment, food, arts and crafts booths, and activities for kids.

WHEN: **October To Be Announced**  
SITE: Mar Vista Recreation Center, 11430 Woodbine Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Mar Vista Community Council  
INFO: [www.marvistacc.org](http://www.marvistacc.org)

## **257 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **October 4, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **258 Catalina Island JazzTrax Festival 2012**

West Coast's premier smooth jazz event features the newest and best in smooth jazz. Jazz fans from around the country flock to Avalon for this event year after year. Over 30 top recording artists are scheduled to perform at the festival, which always takes place the first three weekends in October.

**WHEN:** October 5 - 7, 12 - 14, 19 - 21 **Check website for times**  
**SITE:** Avalon Ballroom, Avalon, Catalina Island  
**COST:** Starting at \$27  
**SPONSOR:** JazzTrax  
**INFO:** 866-872-9849, [www.jazztrax.com](http://www.jazztrax.com)

## **259 Southeast Asia Day**

The Aquarium of the Pacific celebrates its eighth annual Southeast Asia Day. The festival's program highlights the cultures of Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, Myanmar, Laos, and Indonesia.

Guests can enjoy live performances, including music, dance, and cultural craft demonstrations, ethnic dishes, and children's crafts.



Aquarium of the Pacific

**WHEN:** October 6, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific, 100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach  
**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95 Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11), Free children under 3 and Aquarium members  
**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific  
**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)

## **260 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

**WHEN:** October 6, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** Chinatown Business Improvement District  
**INFO:** 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **261 Annual Ride for a Cure Wild West Show**

Annual Western carnival and show held at Gibson Ranch, Sunland. The event includes games, food, barrel races, and a petting zoo. Proceeds go to a charity selected each year.

**WHEN:** October 6, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Gibson Ranch, Sunland  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Ride for a Cure, Gibson Ranch  
**INFO:** [www.rideforacure.net](http://www.rideforacure.net)

## **262 Eagle Rock Music Festival**

The Eagle Rock Music Festival is a nationally noted community street festival showcasing a variety of innovative, multicultural and local music every October since 1998. The festival hosts Los Angeles based acts at various locations along its “main street,” Colorado Boulevard, in the progressive and multigenerational Eagle Rock neighborhood. It is designed to celebrate Eagle Rock and support local business, community, and culture.

**WHEN:** **October 6, 4:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.**  
**SITE:** On five blocks of Colorado Blvd., Eagle Rock  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Eagle Rock Cultural Association  
**INFO:** [www.centerartseaglerock.org](http://www.centerartseaglerock.org)

## **263 Valley Artist Studio Tour**

Join a self-guided tour of artist studios in the San Fernando Valley.

**WHEN:** **October 6 & 7, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**SITE:** San Fernando Valley  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** San Fernando Valley Council  
**INFO:** 818-469-3380, [www.sfvartscouncil.com](http://www.sfvartscouncil.com)

## **264 7th Annual Pico Festival and Classic Car Show**

A fun day in the park with art, music, food, classic cars, and fun activities for the whole family. The classic car show features cars from across the Southern California with proceeds to benefit the Samotti football program.



**WHEN:** **October 6 & 7, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**SITE:** Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave., Santa Monica  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Pico Improvement Organization, City of Santa Monica  
**INFO:** 310-829-9303, [www.picopassport.com](http://www.picopassport.com)

## **265 Latino Book and Family Festival**

This family-oriented event promotes literacy in the Latino community. The festival features authors, book signings, readings, exhibitors, kids booths, entertainment, and ethnic food.

**WHEN:** **October 6 & 7, Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**SITE:** California State University, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Latino Literacy Now  
**INFO:** 858-603-8680, [www.lbff.us](http://www.lbff.us)

## **266 Life Before Colombus Day**

The annual festival at the Springs at Kuruvungna immerses visitors in a recreation of traditional Native Indian traditions using native dances, music, storytelling, basket making, traditional cooking demonstrations, and interpretive cultural displays using authentic native and recreation Indian artifacts.

**WHEN:** **October 7, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** University High School,  
1439 S. Barrington Ave., District 11, West Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Gabrielino/Tongva Springs Foundation

**INFO:** 310-397-0180, [www.gabirelinosprings.com](http://www.gabirelinosprings.com)



## **267 West Hills Fall Fest and Restaurant Chili Cook-off**

Enjoy live entertainment, taste a variety of international dishes, and meet local businesses as they showcase their services. The festival also includes games, information booths, and more.

**WHEN:** **October 7, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** Field Market, Woodlake and Saticoy, West Hills

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Canoga Park/West Hills Chamber of Commerce

**INFO:** 818-884-4222, [www.westhillsfallfest.com](http://www.westhillsfallfest.com)

## **268 Los Angeles Hispanic Heritage Festival**

A celebration of the rich cultural diversity of Latin America and Spain with the presentation of folkloric groups, performers, artisans, painters, and raffles.

**WHEN:** **October 7, 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m.**

**SITE:** MacArthur Park, Wilshire Blvd & 7th St., Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Cervantes Center of Arts & Letters

**INFO:** [www.cervantescenter.org](http://www.cervantescenter.org)

## **269 13th Annual Polish Film Festival Los Angeles**

Presentation of films made by Polish filmmakers with English subtitles. There will also be opportunities to meet with the filmmakers and actors.

**WHEN:** **October 9 - 18, Various times**

**SITE:** Laemmle's Sunset 5, 8000 Sunset Blvd., West Hollywood

**COST:** \$11 Adults, \$8 Students and Seniors

**SPONSOR:** Polish American Film Society

**INFO:** 818-982-8827, [www.polishfilmlla.org](http://www.polishfilmlla.org)



## **270 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **October 11, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **271 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **October 13 & 27, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **272 CicLAvia**

Inspired by *ciclovía*, the weekly street closure event in Bogotá, Colombia, established over 30 years ago, CicLAvia consists of the temporary opening of Los Angeles streets to all Angelenos. Free to the public, it interconnects diverse portions of the city, creating a web of temporary public space, free of car traffic.

WHEN: **October 14, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: To Be Announced  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: CicLAvia Committee  
INFO: 213-365-0605

## **273 Taste of Encino Festival**

This is one of the highlights of early fall in the heart of the San Fernando Valley. Entertainment will include four stages of live folk, bluegrass, and other music styles to listen or dance to, along with creative storytelling. There will also be a variety of ethnic and American foods, a rock-climbing wall, a moon bounce, arts and crafts fair, health and wellness pavilion, and more.

WHEN: **October 14, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Encino Park, Ventura Blvd. between Balboa Blvd. & Amestoy, Encino  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Encino Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-789-4711, [www.tasteofencino.com](http://www.tasteofencino.com)

## **274 Autumn Sea Fair**

Celebrate the bounty of the sea with games, beach Olympics, live music, ocean-related exhibits, face painting, a fireboat display, arts and crafts, and more. There will also be sand sculpture contest, a chance to hunt for buried treasure, pirates, and marine-life puppet show. Chat with marine-related organizations set-up to share their information with you.

WHEN: **October 21, 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, 3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **275 Day of the Dead – Novenario**

As part of the Day of the Dead celebration, this is a Pre-Colombian Novenario procession and blessings each night beginning at 7:00 p.m.

WHEN: **October 25 through November 2, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **276 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **October 26, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

## **277 Happy Harbor Halloween**

This is a free carnival-style festival featuring games, crafts, music, face painting, storytelling, and more. The event will also include a children's Halloween costume parade.

WHEN: **October 27, 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Two locations: Harbor Blvd. and 5th St.,  
San Pedro & 604 W. C St. Wilmington  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Port of Los Angeles  
INFO: 310-732-3508, [www.portoflosangeles.org](http://www.portoflosangeles.org)

## **278 ¡Vivan los Muertos!**

The Autry celebrates Day of the Dead with ¡Vivan los Muertos! This community festival invites the public to learn all about Día de los Muertos with hands-on activities, artists selling their calaca (skeleton) works, traditional food, elaborate altar displays, and an interactive community altar.

WHEN: **October 27, 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Autry National Center,  
4700 Western Heritage Way,  
Los Angeles  
COST: \$10 Adults, \$6 Students with  
ID and Seniors, \$4 Children (3 - 12), Free Autry Members  
INFO: 323-667-2000, [www.theautry.org](http://www.theautry.org)



Abel Gutierrez

## **279 Día de los Muertos Family Festival**

A free community art festival celebrating the Mexican tradition of Day of the Dead. The event features musical entertainment, puppet show, altars, art workshops, and refreshments.

WHEN: **October 27, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Canoga Park Youth Arts Center,  
7222 Remmet Ave., Canoga Park  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
INFO: 818-346-7099, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **280 Sea Scare**

Travel to an “underwater world” of thrills, chills, and gills for its annual night-time Halloween event. Come in costume and scare up some goodies as you trick or treat at six themed goodie stations. The event includes a haunted house, pirates and treasure hunt, sea creature feedings, cryogenic demonstrations, spooky stories, fortunetelling, magic, games, bioluminescent crafts, kookie cookie decorating, dancing, costume contest, and more.

WHEN: **October 27, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium,  
3720 Stephen M. White Dr., San Pedro  
COST: \$5  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 310-548-7562, [www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org](http://www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org)

## **281 Alpine Recreation Center’s Community Halloween Carnival**

The event includes inflatables, Halloween costume Contest for Children 3-12 years, a pumpkin carving contest, games and food booths.

WHEN: **October 28, 12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Alpine Recreation Center, 817 Yale St., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 213-213-485-5448, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **282 Halloween Haunted House Tour**

The Grier Musser Museum will celebrate Halloween with children’s readings, ghosts, goblins, and witches. The entire museum will be decorated for this Halloween party. The special day includes guided tours and refreshments.

WHEN: **October 28, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Grier Musser Museum, 403 S. Bonnie Brae St., Los Angeles  
COST: \$12 Adults, \$6 Children  
SPONSOR: Grier Musser Museum  
INFO: 213-413-1814, [www.griermussermuseum.com](http://www.griermussermuseum.com)

## **283 Los Angeles Music Week**

This is a weeklong celebration of the music scene in Los Angeles featuring various styles of music in concert venues citywide. Special events for children.

WHEN: **October 28 – November 3, Various times**  
SITE: Various sites, check website  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles Music Week  
INFO: 310-367-9187, [www.los-angeles-music-week.com](http://www.los-angeles-music-week.com)

## **284 West Hollywood Halloween Carnival**

The much-anticipated West Hollywood Costume Carnival takes place annually along Santa Monica Boulevard in West Hollywood. From divas to drag queens to Dracula, more than 400,000 people participate in one of the world's largest colorful Mardi Gras-style street celebrations. It’s truly the place to see and be seen as Halloween revelers show-off their creative flair by strolling the beautiful boulevard in original and outrageous costumes.

WHEN: **October 31, 6:00 p.m. until the ghouls go away**  
SITE: Santa Monica Boulevard between La Cienega and  
Doheny Dr., West Hollywood  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood  
INFO: 323-848-6400, [www.visitwesthollywood.com](http://www.visitwesthollywood.com)



# NOVEMBER

## **285** Día de los Muertos Celebration

Join Sun Valley Youth Arts Center for a fun filled evening of art workshops, student art exhibit, refreshments, and entertainment for the entire family. Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is an indigenous ritual of México celebrating life and the after life through art, music and family unity. The celebration concludes with an amazing ritual dance by Danza Temachtia Quetzacoatl. The public is welcome to participate in the community altar, bring a photocopy/image of a loved one who has passed to place on the altar.



**WHEN:** November 1, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Sun Valley Youth Arts Center, 8642 Sunland Blvd., Sun Valley  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs  
**INFO:** 818-252-4619, [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org)

## **286** 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

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**SITE:** Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
**INFO:** [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

## **287** Día de los Muertos

Colorful, ancient Mexican ceremony in remembrance of departed loved ones, with beautifully decorated altars, and entertainment.

**WHEN:** November 1 & 2, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** El Pueblo Historical Monument  
**INFO:** 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

## **288** Undiscovered Chinatown Tour

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

**WHEN:** November 3, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$20  
**SPONSOR:** Chinatown Business Improvement District  
**INFO:** 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **289** Autumn Festival

Experience the cultures of Asia during the Aquarium of the Pacific's eleventh annual Autumn Festival. The traditions and cultures of Japan, China, Korea, and the Philippines are highlighted. The festival features traditional music, dance, acrobatics, martial arts, cultural exhibits, crafts, and ethnic cuisine.

**WHEN:** November 3 & 4,  
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Aquarium of the Pacific,  
100 Aquarium Way,  
Long Beach

**COST:** \$24.95 Adults, \$21.95  
Seniors, \$13.95 Children (3 -11), Free children under 3 and  
Aquarium members

**SPONSOR:** Aquarium of the Pacific

**INFO:** 562-590-3100, [www.aquariumofpacific.org](http://www.aquariumofpacific.org)



Aquarium of the Pacific

## **290** American Indian Arts Marketplace

Southern California's Largest American Indian Arts Market! Over 180 Native American artists will be in Los Angeles this November for the Autry's annual Marketplace.

Featuring the finest in contemporary and traditional American Indian arts, the festival includes more than 25,000 square feet of exhibition space, artist demonstrations, music, dance, and food.

**WHEN:** November 3 & 4,  
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**SITE:** The Autry National  
Center, 4700 Western  
Heritage Way,  
Los Angeles

**COST:** \$10 Adults, \$6 Students  
with ID and Seniors,  
\$4 Children (3 - 12),  
Free Autry Members

**INFO:** 323-667-2000,  
[www.theautry.org](http://www.theautry.org)



Danielle Klebanow

## **291** 12th Annual Día de los Muertos Festival

The annual street festival is a traditional cultural event that celebrates the ancient Mexican and Central American traditions of paying homage to loved ones who have passed. Festivities are continuous all day in historic Downtown Canoga Park, recipient of the All-American City Award, and showcase live musical entertainment, vendors, international foods, calaveras, artists' exhibits, altar displays, a children's art pavilion, and a large classic car show.

**WHEN:** November 4, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**SITE:** Sherman Way between Canoga and Vassar Ave.,  
Canoga Park

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** Main Street Canoga Park, Councilman Dennis P. Zine, City of  
Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs

**INFO:** 818-346-4892, [www.mainstreetcanogapark.org](http://www.mainstreetcanogapark.org)

## **292 90 Plus Legacy Luncheon**

This event is open to members and families of City of Los Angeles senior citizens that are aged 90 and above. Good standing members of the senior citizen clubs operated within the Department of Recreation and Parks senior citizen centers are also welcome.

**WHEN:** November 8, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
**SITE:** Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free to 90 Plus seniors  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation & Parks,  
Los Angeles Federation of Senior Club  
**INFO:** 213-485-7512, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **293 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

**WHEN:** November 8, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Gallery Row Organization  
**INFO:** [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

## **294 Pomona Art Walk**

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**WHEN:** November 10 & 24, 3:00 p.m. until late evening  
**SITE:** W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Pomona Arts Colony  
**INFO:** 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

## **295 Pershing Square Downtown on Ice**

Situated amid the downtown skyscrapers, the rink will be open for ice skating daily, including holidays. There will also be a variety of free activities, including youth programs, special events, live music, and the Winter Holiday Festival, from December 12 through 23.

**WHEN:** November 15 through January 14, 2013,  
Monday through Thursday, 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m.,  
Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St., Downtown Los Angeles  
**COST:** \$8 per hour  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 213-847-4970, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **296 Annual Mariachi Festival**

The event is held at the historical Mariachi Plaza, in Boyle Heights, a site regarded as El Garibaldi de Los Angeles. The festival includes Mariachi performances throughout the day. Food, arts and crafts, and information booths of nonprofit community organization will also be featured.

**WHEN:** November 18, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Mariachi Plaza, First and Bailey Sts., Boyle Heights,  
Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Mariachi Plaza Festival Foundation  
**INFO:** 818-509-0088, [www.mariachifestival.info](http://www.mariachifestival.info)

## **297 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **November 30, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

# DECEMBER

## **298 Pershing Square Downtown on Ice**

Situated amid the downtown skyscrapers, the rink will be open for ice skating daily, including holidays. There will also be a variety of free activities, including youth programs, special events, and live music.

WHEN: **Through January 14, 2013, Monday through Thursday, 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m., Friday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$8 per hour  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 213-847-4970, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

## **299 45th Annual Pacoima Christmas Parade and Festival**

Join in on the parade and ride along side the many special guests that the event has lined up! The event will continue with a festival at David Gonzales Recreation Center where attendees will enjoy cultural dances, singers, local community groups, and great-tasting food. The festival also features a toy give-away to over 3,000 needy families.

WHEN: **December 1, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Van Nuys Blvd between Oneida and Herrice Ave., Pacoima  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pacoima Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.pacoimachamber.com](http://www.pacoimachamber.com)

## **300 Undiscovered Chinatown Tour**

Tours take visitors to a number of off-the-beaten-track points of cultural and historical interest, and will guide those interested in shopping to some of Chinatown's best bargains and trendiest shops.

WHEN: **December 1, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Chinatown, Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Chinatown Business Improvement District  
INFO: 213-680-0243, [www.chinatownla.com](http://www.chinatownla.com)

## **301 Wilmington Winter Wonderland**

Snow in Wilmington? Yes, tons of it! Activities include face painting, booths, jumpers, and more.

WHEN: **December 1, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Wilmington Waterfront Park, 604 W. C St., Wilmington  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Port of Los Angeles  
INFO: 310-732-3508, [www.portoflosangeles.org](http://www.portoflosangeles.org)

### **302 Port of Los Angeles Holiday Afloat Parade**

The parade begins in the East Basin of Wilmington and takes approximately 90 minutes to cover the entire parade route up the Port's Main Channel. Spectators may view the procession from several points along the Port's Main Channel.

**WHEN:** December 1, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Main Channel, Los Angeles Harbor  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Port of Los Angeles  
**INFO:** 310-732-3508, [www.portoflosangeles.org](http://www.portoflosangeles.org)

### **303 Victorian Christmas at the Banning Museum**

This family event will feature authentic, Victorian-style seasonal decorations, including Christmas trees with handmade ornaments. The event is a presentation of the holiday season as it was

celebrated 150 years ago, including holiday-themed entertainment and strolling carolers, readings of Victorian Christmas stories, ornament making sessions, hot cider, and cookies. A complimentary horse-drawn trolley will take visitors to the nearby Drum Barracks Museum for a Civil War Christmas.

**WHEN:** December 1 & 2, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** The Banning Museum, 401 East 'M' St., Wilmington  
**COST:** Donation accepted  
**SPONSOR:** Friends of Banning Museum  
**INFO:** 310-548-7777, [www.thebanningmuseum.org](http://www.thebanningmuseum.org)



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### **304 Annual Civil War Christmas Celebration**

Experience an authentic replica of a Civil War-era holiday celebration, complete with rustic handmade toys, ornaments, and other decorations. Entertainment including seasonal tunes will be played on a restored 1864 Steinway box grand piano. A horse-drawn trolley will take visitors to the nearby Banning Residence Museum to experience its Victorian Christmas program.

**WHEN:** December 1 & 2, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** Drum Barracks Civil War Museum, 1052 Banning Blvd., Wilmington  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
**INFO:** 310-548-7509, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **305 Navidad en la Calle Ocho, Los Angeles**

The Christmas Navidad en la Calle Ocho festival is considered the biggest toy giveaway and one of the most important festivals in the community. This two-day event will include entertainment on four stages, free toys and products, clowns, and small rides. Come celebrate the joy of the Christmas spirit and the happiness of children.

**WHEN:** December 1 & 2, 12:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
**SITE:** 8th St. at Normandie Ave., Los Angeles  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** Edgar N. Palacios Fundacion ECUA-USA  
**INFO:** 213-388-8291, [www.calleochola.com](http://www.calleochola.com)

### **306 Hanukkah Family Festival**

The Skirball Cultural Center presents its annual Hanukkah Family Festival that welcomes people of all backgrounds to celebrate the holiday of light, freedom, and dedication. Families can enjoy the festival through a variety of activities including performances, storytelling, art workshops, gallery tours, and more.

WHEN: **December 2, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Skirball Cultural Center, 2701 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Los Angeles  
COST: \$10 General Admission, Free for members and children under 12  
SPONSOR: Skirball Cultural Center  
INFO: 310-440-4500, [www.skirball.org](http://www.skirball.org)

### **307 Victorian Christmas House Tour**

The Grier Musser Museum will host its annual Christmas party in a festive Victorian, turn-of-the-century restored setting. There will be guided tours and refreshments.

WHEN: **December 2, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Grier Musser Museum, 403 South Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles  
COST: \$12 Adults, \$6 Children  
SPONSOR: Grier Musser Museum  
INFO: 213-413-1814, [www.griermussermuseum.com](http://www.griermussermuseum.com)

### **308 28th Annual Granada Hills Holiday Parade**

This parade, which is the largest holiday event of its kind in the San Fernando Valley, will feature theme-related costumes, theme decorations, music and automobiles, along with community-sponsored floats, youth groups, marching bands, and equestrians.

WHEN: **December 2, 1:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Chatsworth St., from Petit Park to Zelzah Ave., Granada Hills  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Granada Hills Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: 818-368-3235, [www.grnadachamber.com](http://www.grnadachamber.com)

### **309 1st Thursday San Pedro ART Walk**

On the first Thursday of each month, the artists, entertainers, and business people of San Pedro celebrate the arts with an evening of open galleries, studios, street vendors, and live entertainment in the downtown San Pedro Arts District. Downtown San Pedro is magically transformed into a village of creativity surrounded by historical architecture, including the magnificent Warner Grand Theatre, quaint restaurants and cafes, plus plenty of places to shop for unusual items and gifts. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable evening in this seaside village.

WHEN: **December 7, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown San Pedro, between 4th & 8th Sts.  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: The San Pedro Peninsula Chamber of Commerce  
INFO: [www.1stthursday.com](http://www.1stthursday.com)

### **310 Pomona Art Walk**

The Downtown Pomona Arts Colony has an art walk every second and last Saturday of the month that brings big crowds to stroll the streets. Over a dozen galleries host receptions and open houses to showcase their latest exhibits and artists. Music, food, wine, and art throughout the evening.

WHEN: **December 8 & 29, 3:00 p.m. until late evening**  
SITE: W. 2nd St. & Garey Ave., Downtown Pomona  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Pomona Arts Colony  
INFO: 909-469-1121, [www.metropomona.com](http://www.metropomona.com)

### **311 Virgen de Guadalupe Celebration**

Celebrating the Virgen de Guadalupe's appearance to native Mexican San Juan Diego in 1531. The event includes food, shopping, and family entertainment.

WHEN: **December 11 & 12, All Day**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

### **312 9th Annual Winter Holiday Festival at Downtown on Ice**

Seasonal celebration during Downtown on Ice that includes a snow zone with real snow, outdoor ice skating, holiday-themed make-and-take arts and crafts for kids, live entertainment, food vendors, and more.

WHEN: **December 12 - 23, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Pershing Square, 532 S. Olive St., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks  
INFO: 213-847-4970, [www.laparks.org](http://www.laparks.org)

### **313 Downtown Art Walk**

The Downtown Art Walk is a monthly, self-guided tour of the art exhibition venues in Downtown Los Angeles, including commercial art galleries, public museums, nonprofit spaces, and grassroots arts venues. The event brings together art lovers and community friends to the ever-evolving Downtown Los Angeles.

WHEN: **December 13, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Gallery Row Organization  
INFO: [www.downtownartwalk.org](http://www.downtownartwalk.org)

### **314 Navidad en Whittier**



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A traditional celebration of Las Posadas, Piñatas, and the Holiday spirit.

WHEN: **December 14, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Whittier College, 6760 Painter Ave., Whittier  
COST: \$20  
SPONSOR: Danza Floricanto/USA, The Shannon Center, Whittier College  
INFO: 562-907-4203, [www.shannoncenter.org](http://www.shannoncenter.org)

### **315 Las Posadas**

This presentation of the nine-day journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem is depicted with singing, a candlelight procession, and the breaking of a piñata each night.

WHEN: **December 16 - 24, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
SITE: El Pueblo Historical Monument,  
125 Paseo de la Plaza, Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: El Pueblo Historical Monument  
INFO: 213-485-8372, [www.calleolvera.com](http://www.calleolvera.com)

### **316 L.A. County Holiday Celebration**

Choirs, instrumental groups, and dance companies representing the many cultures of Los Angeles celebrate the season with seasonally-themed music and dance from across the cultural spectrum. Around 1,500 performers from 35 groups, chosen by competitive application, participate in this event.

WHEN: **December 24, 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
**Door opens at 2:30 p.m.**  
SITE: Music Center, Dorothy Chandler Pavilion,  
135 N. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles  
COST: Free. Parking under the Music Center is free for this event  
SPONSOR: Los Angeles County Arts Commission  
INFO: 213-972-3099, [www.lacountyarts.org](http://www.lacountyarts.org)

### **317 Bones and Blues**

Bones and Blues is a monthly concert series featuring live blues and jazz music, domino tournaments, and a hearty barbecue dinner.

WHEN: **December 28, 8:00 p.m.**  
SITE: The Center, 10950 S. Central Ave., Los Angeles  
COST: \$25 Door, \$15 Pre-sale  
SPONSOR: Watts Labor Community Action Committee (WLCAC)  
INFO: 323-563-5639, [www.wlcac.org](http://www.wlcac.org)

### **318 Kwanzaa Heritage Festival**

Kwanzaa Heritage Festival and Parade is a unique African Cultural event that is great fun for the entire family. It celebrates the very best of the arts including a drum circle, live music, children's village, authentic crafts, and a warm environment.



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WHEN: **December 29, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
SITE: Leimert Park Village, 4330 Degnan Blvd., Los Angeles  
COST: Free  
SPONSOR: Kwanzaa Heritage Foundation  
INFO: 213-237-0570, [www.kwanzaaheritage.org](http://www.kwanzaaheritage.org)





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## **About the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)**

The **Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)** generates and supports high quality arts and cultural experiences for Los Angeles' 4 million residents and 25 million annual visitors. DCA advances the social and economic impact of the arts and ensures access to diverse and enriching cultural activities through grant making, marketing, public art, community arts programming, arts education, and partnerships with artists and arts and cultural organizations in neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles.

DCA's operating budget and managed portfolio totaled \$38.2 million in fiscal year 2010/11. It consisted of: \$9.5 million in funds from the Public Works Improvements Arts Program (PWIAP); \$8.9 million in City related and indirect cost allocations; \$8.7 million from the Private Arts Development Fee Program (ADF); \$7.7 million in Transient Occupancy Tax funds; and over \$3.4 million in private and public funds raised from foundation, corporate, government, and individual donors.

DCA significantly supports artists and cultural projects through its Public Art Division by administering a portfolio totaling \$18.2 million in PWIAP and ADF funds in FY10/11. DCA's Marketing and Development Division raised over \$16.3 million since FY07/08 to re-grant to LA-based artists and arts and cultural organizations for special grant initiatives and to support DCA's special programming and facilities. DCA also grants approximately \$2.2 million annually to over 280 artists and nonprofit arts and cultural organizations through its long-established Grants Administration Division.

DCA provides arts and cultural programming through its Community Arts Division, managing numerous neighborhood arts and cultural centers, theaters, historic sites, and educational initiatives. DCA's Marketing and Development Division also markets the City's arts and cultural events through development and collaboration with strategic partners, design and production of creative catalogs, publications, and promotional materials, and management of the [culturela.org](http://culturela.org) website visited by over 3 million people annually.

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To inquire about being included in next year's Festival Guide, or if we have missed a festival in our guide you would like to see listed next year, please call 213.202.5500, visit our website at [www.culturela.org](http://www.culturela.org), or fax your information to 213.202.5511.

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